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### ADOPTED AND ENGROSSED 3/8/10

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. In order to preserve funding for education, public safety, health care, environmental protection, and safety net services for children, elderly, disabled, and vulnerable people, it is the intent of the legislature to close obsolete tax preferences, clarify the legislature's intent regarding existing tax policy, and to ensure balanced tax policy while bolstering emerging industries.

# 9 PART I

# 10 Minimum Nexus Standards

NEW SECTION. Sec. 101. (1) The legislature finds that out-ofstate businesses that do not have a physical presence in Washington earn significant income from Washington residents from providing services or collecting royalties on the use of intangible property in this state. The legislature further finds that these businesses receive significant benefits and opportunities provided by the state, such as: Laws providing protection of business interests or regulating consumer credit; access to courts and judicial process to enforce business rights, including debt collection and intellectual property rights; an orderly and regulated marketplace; and police and fire protection and a transportation system benefiting in-state agents and other representatives of out-of-state businesses. Therefore, the legislature intends to extend the state's business and occupation tax to these companies to ensure that they pay their fair share of the cost of services that this state renders and the infrastructure it provides. The legislature also finds that the current

apportionment method in RCW 82.04.460(1) for apportioning most service income has been difficult for both taxpayers and the department to

- apply due in large part (i) to the difficulty in assigning certain costs of doing business inside or outside of this state, and (ii) to its dissimilarity with the apportionment methods used in other states for their business activity taxes.
- (b) The legislature further finds that there is a trend among 5 states to adopt a single factor apportionment formula based on sales. 6 7 The legislature recognizes that adoption of a sales factor only apportionment method has the advantages of simplifying apportionment 8 and making Washington a more attractive place for businesses to expand 9 their property and payroll. For these reasons, the legislature adopts 10 single factor sales apportionment for purposes of apportioning royalty 11 income and certain service income for state business and occupation tax 12 13 purposes.
- (c) Nothing in this act may be construed, however, to authorize 14 apportionment of the gross income or value of products taxable under 15 16 the following business and occupation tax classifications: Retailing, 17 wholesaling, manufacturing, processing for hire, extracting, extracting for hire, printing, government contracting, public road construction, 18 the classifications in RCW 82.04.280 (2), (4), (6), and (7), and any 19 20 other activity not specifically included in the definition of apportionable activities in RCW 82.04.460, or cities with a business 21 22 and occupation tax to implement or to apply apportionment of gross 23 income provided in this act.
- 24 Sec. 102. RCW 82.04.220 and 1961 c 15 s 82.04.220 are each amended to read as follows:
- 26 (1) There is levied and ((shall be)) collected from every person
  27 that has substantial nexus with this state a tax for the act or
  28 privilege of engaging in business activities. ((Such)) The tax ((shall
  29 be)) is measured by the application of rates against value of products,
  30 gross proceeds of sales, or gross income of the business, as the case
  31 may be.
- (2) A person who has substantial nexus with this state in any tax
  year will be deemed to have substantial nexus with this state for the
  following four tax years.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 103. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 RCW to read as follows:

"Engaging within this state" and "engaging within the state," when used in connection with any apportionable activity as defined in RCW 82.04.460, means that a person generates gross income of the business from sources within this state, such as customers or intangible property located in this state, regardless of whether the person is physically present in this state.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 104. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
RCW to read as follows:

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- (1) A person engaging in business is deemed to have substantial nexus with this state if the person is:
  - (a) An individual and is a resident or domiciliary of this state;
- 12 (b) A business entity and is organized or commercially domiciled in this state; or
- 14 (c) A nonresident individual or a business entity that is organized 15 or commercially domiciled outside this state, and in any tax year the 16 person has:
  - (i) More than fifty thousand dollars of property in this state;
  - (ii) More than fifty thousand dollars of payroll in this state;
- 19 (iii) More than five hundred thousand dollars of receipts from this 20 state; or
- 21 (iv) At least twenty-five percent of the person's total property, 22 total payroll, or total receipts in this state.
  - (2)(a) Property counting toward the thresholds in subsection (1)(c)(i) and (iv) of this section is the average value of the taxpayer's property, including intangible property, owned or rented and used in this state during the tax year.
  - (b)(i) Property owned by the taxpayer, other than loans and credit card receivables owned by the taxpayer, is valued at its original cost basis. Loans and credit card receivables owned by the taxpayer are valued at their outstanding principal balance, without regard to any reserve for bad debts. However, if a loan or credit card receivable is charged off in whole or in part for federal income tax purposes, the portion of the loan or credit card receivable charged off is deducted from the outstanding principal balance.
- 35 (ii) Property rented by the taxpayer is valued at eight times the 36 net annual rental rate. For purposes of this subsection, "net annual

rental rate" means the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer less any annual rental rate received by the taxpayer from subrentals.

- (c) The average value of property must be determined by averaging the values at the beginning and ending of the tax year; but the department may require the averaging of monthly values during the tax year if reasonably required to properly reflect the average value of the taxpayer's property.
- (d)(i) For purposes of this subsection (2), loans and credit card receivables are deemed owned and used in this state as follows:
- (A) Loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property, are deemed owned and used in the state if the real property or personal property securing the loan is located within this state. If the property securing the loan is located both within this state and one or more other states, the loan is deemed owned and used in this state if more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real or personal property is located within this state. If more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real or personal property is not located within any one state, then the loan is deemed owned and used in this state if the borrower is located in this state. The determination of whether the real or personal property securing a loan is located within this state must be made, as of the time the original agreement was made, and any and all subsequent substitutions of collateral must be disregarded.
  - (B) Loans not secured by real or personal property are deemed owned and used in this state if the borrower is located in this state.
  - (C) Credit card receivables are deemed owned and used in this state if the billing address of the cardholder is in this state.
  - (ii) The definitions in section 106 of this act apply to this subsection.
  - (e) Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary in this subsection, property counting toward the thresholds in subsection (1)(c)(i) and (iv) of this section does not include a person's ownership of, or rights in, computer software as defined in RCW 82.04.215, including computer software used in providing a digital automated service; master copies of software; and digital goods and digital codes residing on servers located in this state.
- 37 (3)(a) Payroll counting toward the thresholds in subsection (1)(c)(ii) and (iv) of this section is the total amount paid by the

taxpayer for compensation in this state during the tax year plus nonemployee compensation paid to representative third parties in this state. Nonemployee compensation paid to representative third parties includes the gross amount paid to nonemployees who represent the taxpayer in interactions with the taxpayer's clients and includes sales commissions.

- (b) Compensation is paid in this state if the compensation is properly reportable to this state for unemployment compensation tax purposes, regardless of whether the compensation was actually reported to this state.
- (c) Nonemployee compensation is paid in this state if the service performed by the representative third party occurs entirely or primarily within this state.
- (d) For purposes of this subsection, "compensation" means wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration paid to employees or nonemployees and defined as gross income under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 61 of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as existing on April 1, 2010.
- 19 (4) Receipts counting toward the thresholds in subsection 20 (1)(c)(iii) and (iv) of this section are those amounts included in the 21 numerator of the receipts factor under sections 105 and 106 of this 22 act.
  - (5)(a) Each December, the department must review the cumulative percentage change in the consumer price index. The department must adjust the thresholds in subsection (1)(c)(i) through (iii) of this section if the consumer price index has changed by five percent or more since the later of July 1, 2010, or the date that the thresholds were last adjusted under this subsection. For purposes of determining the cumulative percentage change in the consumer price index, the department must compare the consumer price index available as of December 1st of the current year with the consumer price index as of the later of July 1, 2010, or the date that the thresholds were last adjusted under this subsection. The thresholds must be adjusted to reflect that cumulative percentage change in the consumer price index. The adjusted thresholds must be rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars. Any adjustment will apply to tax periods that begin after the adjustment is made.

(b) As used in this subsection, "consumer price index" means the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) available from the bureau of labor statistics of the United States department of labor.

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- (6) Subsections (1) through (5) of this section only apply with 4 5 respect to the taxes imposed under this chapter on apportionable activities as defined in RCW 82.04.460. For purposes of the taxes 6 7 imposed under this chapter on any activity not included in the definition of apportionable activities in RCW 82.04.460, a person is 8 deemed to have substantial nexus with this state if the person has a 9 physical presence in this state, which need only be demonstrably more 10 than a slightest presence. For purposes of this subsection, a person 11 is physically present in this state if the person has property or 12 employees in this state. A person is also physically present in this 13 state if the person, either directly or through an agent or other 14 representative, engages in activities in this state that are 15 16 significantly associated with the person's ability to establish or 17 maintain a market for its products in this state.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 105. A new section is added to chapter 82.04
  RCW to read as follows:
  - (1) The apportionable income of a person within the scope of RCW 82.04.460(1) is apportioned to Washington by multiplying its apportionable income by the receipts factor. Persons who are subject to tax under more than one of the tax classifications enumerated in RCW 82.04.460(3)(a) (i) through (ix) must calculate a separate receipts factor for each tax classification that the person is taxable under.
  - (2) For purposes of subsection (1) of this section, the receipts factor is a fraction and is calculated as provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section and section 106 of this act.
  - (3)(a) The numerator of the receipts factor is the total gross income of the business of the taxpayer attributable to this state during the tax year from engaging in an apportionable activity. The denominator of the receipts factor is the total gross income of the business of the taxpayer from engaging in an apportionable activity everywhere in the world during the tax year.
  - (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, for purposes of computing the receipts factor, gross income of the business generated from each apportionable activity is attributable to the state:

(i) Where the customer received the benefit of the taxpayer's service or, in the case of gross income from royalties, where the customer used the taxpayer's intangible property.

- (ii) If the customer received the benefit of the service or used the intangible property in more than one state, gross income of the business must be attributed to the state in which the benefit of the service was primarily received or in which the intangible property was primarily used.
- (iii) If the taxpayer is unable to attribute gross income of the business under the provisions of (b)(i) or (ii) of this subsection (3), gross income of the business must be attributed to the state from which the customer ordered the service or, in the case of royalties, the office of the customer from which the royalty agreement with the taxpayer was negotiated.
- (iv) If the taxpayer is unable to attribute gross income of the business under the provisions of (b)(i), (ii), or (iii) of this subsection (3), gross income of the business must be attributed to the state to which the billing statements or invoices are sent to the customer by the taxpayer.
- (v) If the taxpayer is unable to attribute gross income of the business under the provisions of (b)(i), (ii), (iii), or (iv) of this subsection (3), gross income of the business must be attributed to the state from which the customer sends payment to the taxpayer.
- (vi) If the taxpayer is unable to attribute gross income of the business under the provisions of (b)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (v) of this subsection (3), gross income of the business must be attributed to the state where the customer is located as indicated by the customer's address: (A) Shown in the taxpayer's business records maintained in the regular course of business; or (B) obtained during consummation of the sale or the negotiation of the contract for services or for the use of the taxpayer's intangible property, including any address of a customer's payment instrument when readily available to the taxpayer and no other address is available.
- (vii) If the taxpayer is unable to attribute gross income of the business under the provisions of (b)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of this subsection (3), gross income of the business must be attributed to the commercial domicile of the taxpayer.

(viii) For purposes of this subsection (3)(b), "customer" means a person or entity to whom the taxpayer makes a sale or renders services or from whom the taxpayer otherwise receives gross income of the business. "Customer" includes anyone who pays royalties or charges in the nature of royalties for the use of the taxpayer's intangible property.

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- (c) Gross income of the business from engaging in an apportionable activity must be excluded from the denominator of the receipts factor if, in respect to such activity, at least some of the activity is performed in this state, and the gross income is attributable under (b) of this subsection (3) to a state in which the taxpayer is not taxable. For purposes of this subsection (3)(c), "not taxable" means that the taxpayer is not subject to a business activities tax by that state, except that a taxpayer is taxable in a state in which it would be deemed to have substantial nexus with that state under the standards in section 104(1) of this act regardless of whether that state imposes such a tax. "Business activities tax" means a tax measured by the amount of, or economic results of, business activity conducted in a state. The term includes taxes measured in whole or in part on net income or gross income or receipts. "Business activities tax" does not include a sales tax, use tax, or a similar transaction tax, imposed on the sale or acquisition of goods or services, whether or not denominated a gross receipts tax or a tax imposed on the privilege of doing business.
  - (d) This subsection (3) does not apply to financial institutions with respect to apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290. Financial institutions must calculate the receipts factor as provided in section 106 of this act and subsection (4) of this section with respect to apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290. For purposes of this subsection, "financial institution" has the same meaning as in section 106 of this act.
  - (4) A taxpayer may calculate the receipts factor for the current tax year based on the most recent calendar year for which information is available for the full calendar year. If a taxpayer does not calculate the receipts factor for the current tax year based on previous calendar year information as authorized in this subsection, the business must use current year information to calculate the receipts factor for the current tax year. In either case, a taxpayer

- 1 must correct the reporting for the current tax year when complete 2 information is available to calculate the receipts factor for that 3 year, but not later than October 31st of the following tax year.
- 4 Interest will apply to any additional tax due on a corrected tax 5 return. Interest must be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent
- 5 return. Interest must be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent
- 6 excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date the
- 7 original return was due, and will accrue until the additional taxes are
- 8 paid. Penalties as provided in RCW 82.32.090 will apply to any such
- 9 additional tax due only if the current tax year reporting is not
- 10 corrected and the additional tax is not paid by October 31st of the
- 11 following tax year. Interest as provided in RCW 82.32.060 will apply
- 12 to any tax paid in excess of that properly due on a return as a result
- of a taxpayer using previous calendar year data or incomplete current-
- 14 year data to calculate the receipts factor.

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- 15 (5) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions 16 in this subsection apply throughout this section.
- 17 (a) "Apportionable activities" and "apportionable income" have the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.460.
- 19 (b) "State" has the same meaning as in section 106 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 106. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 21 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1) A financial institution must, for purposes of apportioning gross income of the business taxable under RCW 82.04.290 using the apportionment method provided in section 105(1) of this act, calculate the receipts factor as provided in this section and section 105(4) of this act. Financial institutions that are subject to tax under any other tax classification enumerated in RCW 82.04.460(3)(a) (i) through (v) and (vii) through (ix) must calculate a separate receipts factor, as provided in section 105 of this act, for each of the other tax classifications that the financial institution is taxable under.
  - (2)(a)(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property, if the real or personal property is located within this state. If the property securing the loan is located both within this state and one or more other states, the income described in this subsection (2)(a)(i) is included in the numerator of the receipts factor if more than fifty

percent of the fair market value of the real or personal property is located within this state. If more than fifty percent of the fair market value of the real or personal property is not located within any one state, then the income described in this subsection (2)(a)(i) is included in the numerator of the receipts factor if the borrower is located in this state.

- (ii) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property, wherever the property is located.
- (iii) The determination of whether the real or personal property securing a loan is located within this state must be made as of the time the original agreement was made and any and all subsequent substitutions of collateral must be disregarded.
- (b) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on loans not secured by real or personal property if the borrower is located in this state. The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on loans that are not secured by real or personal property, regardless of where the borrower is located.
- (c) The receipts factor includes gross income from net gains, which may not be less than zero, on the sale of loans. Net gains on the sale of loans includes income recorded under the coupon stripping rules of 26 U.S.C. Sec. 1286 of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as existing on April 1, 2010.
- (i) The amount of net gains, which may not be less than zero, on the sale of loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property, included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying such net gains by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (a) of this subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included in the denominator of the receipts factor under (a) of this subsection (2).
- (ii) The amount of net gains, which may not be less than zero, from the sale of loans not secured by real or personal property included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying such net gains by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (b) of this

subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included 1 2 in the denominator of the receipts factor under (b) of this subsection 3

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- (iii) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from net gains, which may not be less than zero, on all sales of loans.
- (d) Loan servicing fees are included in the receipts factor as provided in (d)(i) and (ii) of this subsection (2).
- (i)(A)(I) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from loan servicing fees derived from loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property, multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (a) of this subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included in the denominator of the receipts factor under (a) of this subsection (2).
- (II) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from all loan servicing fees derived from loans secured by real property, personal property, or both real and personal property.
- (B)(I) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from loan servicing fees derived from loans not secured by real or personal property multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (b) of this subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included in the denominator of the receipts factor under (b) of this subsection (2).
- (II) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from all loan servicing fees derived from loans not secured by real or personal property.
- (ii) If the financial institution receives loan servicing fees for servicing either the secured or the unsecured loans of another, the numerator of the receipts factor includes such fees if the borrower is located in this state. The denominator of the receipts factor includes all such fees.
- (e)(i) Interest, dividends, net gains (which may not be less than zero), and other income from investment assets and activities and from trading assets and activities, as provided in this subsection (2)(e), are included in the receipts factor. Investment assets and activities and trading assets and activities include but are not limited to:

Investment securities; trading account assets; federal funds; securities purchased and sold under agreements to resell or repurchase; options; futures contracts; forward contracts; notional principal contracts such as swaps; equities; and foreign currency transactions.

- (ii) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, dividends, net gains (which may not be less than zero), and other receipts from investment assets and activities and from trading assets and activities described in (e)(i) of this subsection (2) that are attributable to this state. The denominator of the receipts factor includes all such gross income wherever earned.
- (A) The amount of interest, dividends, net gains (which may not be less than zero), and other income from investment assets and activities in the investment account to be attributed to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying all such income from such assets and activities by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the average value of such assets that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. The denominator of the fraction is the average value of all such assets.
- (B)(I) The amount of interest from federal funds sold and purchased and from securities purchased under resale agreements and securities sold under repurchase agreements attributable to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying the amount described in (e)(ii)(B)(II) of this subsection (2) from such funds and such securities by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the average value of federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. The denominator of the fraction is the average value of all such funds and such securities.
- (II) The amount used for purposes of making the calculation in (e)(ii)(B)(I) of this subsection (2) is the amount by which interest from federal funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements exceeds interest expense on federal funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements.
- (C)(I) The amount of interest, dividends, gains and other income from trading assets and activities, including but not limited to assets and activities in the matched book, in the arbitrage book, and foreign

currency transactions, but excluding amounts described in (e)(ii)(A) or (B) of this subsection (2), attributable to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying the amount described in (e)(ii)(C)(II) of this subsection (2) by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the average value of such trading assets that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. denominator of the fraction is the average value of all such assets. 

- (II) The amount used for purposes of making the calculation in (e)(ii)(C)(I) of this subsection (2) is the amount by which interest, dividends, gains and other receipts from trading assets and activities, including but not limited to assets and activities in the matched book, in the arbitrage book, and foreign currency transactions, exceed amounts paid in lieu of interest, amounts paid in lieu of dividends, and losses from such assets and activities.
- (D) For purposes of this subsection (2)(e)(ii), average value must be determined using the rules for determining the average value of property set forth in section 104(2) of this act.
- (iii) In lieu of using the method set forth in (e)(ii) of this subsection (2), the financial institution may elect, or the department may require, in order to fairly represent the business activity of the financial institution in this state, the use of the method set forth in this subsection (2)(e)(iii).
- (A) The amount of interest, dividends, net gains (which may not be less than zero), and other income from investment assets and activities in the investment account to be attributed to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying all such income from such assets and activities by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the gross income from such assets and activities that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. The denominator of the fraction is the gross income from all such assets and activities.
- (B) The amount of interest from federal funds sold and purchased and from securities purchased under resale agreements and securities sold under repurchase agreements attributable to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying the amount described in (e)(ii)(B)(II) of this subsection (2) from such funds and such securities by a fraction. The numerator

of the fraction is the gross income from such funds and such securities that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. The denominator of the fraction is the gross income from all such funds and such securities.

- (C) The amount of interest, dividends, gains and other receipts from trading assets and activities, including but not limited to assets and activities in the matched book, in the arbitrage book, and foreign currency transactions, but excluding amounts described in (e)(ii)(A) or (B) of this subsection (2), attributable to this state and included in the numerator of the receipts factor is determined by multiplying the amount described in (e)(ii)(C)(II) of this subsection (2) by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the gross income from such trading assets and activities that are properly assigned to a regular place of business of the financial institution within this state. The denominator of the fraction is the gross income from all such assets and activities.
- (iv) If the financial institution elects or is required by the department to use the method set forth in (e)(iii) of this subsection (2), it must use this method for subsequent tax returns unless the financial institution receives prior permission from the department to use, or the department requires, a different method.
- (v) The financial institution has the burden of proving that an investment asset or activity or trading asset or activity was properly assigned to a regular place of business outside of this state by demonstrating that the day-to-day decisions regarding the asset or activity occurred at a regular place of business outside this state. If the day-to-day decisions regarding an investment asset or activity or trading asset or activity occur at more than one regular place of business and one such regular place of business is in this state and one such regular place of business is outside this state, such asset or activity is considered to be located at the regular place of business of the financial institution where the investment or trading policies or guidelines with respect to the asset or activity are established. Such policies and guidelines are presumed, subject to rebuttal by preponderance of the evidence, to be established at the commercial domicile of the financial institution.
- (f) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on credit card receivables, and gross

income from fees charged to cardholders, such as annual fees, if the billing address of the cardholder is in this state. The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from interest, fees, and penalties on all credit card receivables, and gross income from fees charged to all cardholders, such as annual fees.

- (g)(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from net gains, which may not be less than zero, from the sale of credit card receivables multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (f) of this subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included in the denominator of the receipts factor under (f) of this subsection (2).
- (ii) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from net gains, which may not be less than zero, from all sales of credit card receivables.
  - (h)(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from all credit card issuer's reimbursement fees multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount included in the numerator of the receipts factor under (f) of this subsection (2). The denominator of the fraction is the amount included in the denominator of the receipts factor under (f) of this subsection (2).
- (ii) The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from all credit card issuer's reimbursement fees.
  - (i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes gross income from merchant discounts if the commercial domicile of the merchant is in this state. The denominator of the receipts factor includes gross income from all merchant discounts. For purposes of this subsection (2)(i), gross income must be computed net of any cardholder charge backs but may not be reduced by any interchange transaction fees or by any issuer's reimbursement fees paid to another for charges made by its cardholders.
  - (j) Apportionable income that would be attributable under this subsection (2) to a state in which the financial institution is not taxable must be excluded from the denominator of the receipts factor if at least some of the activity that generated the income is performed in this state, and the gross income is attributable under this subsection (2) to a state in which the taxpayer is not taxable. For purposes of

this subsection (2)(j), "not taxable" has the same meaning as in section 105 of this act.

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- (k)(i) The numerator of the receipts factor includes apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290 and not otherwise included in the receipts factor under this subsection (2) if the activity producing the apportionable income is performed in this state. If the activity is performed both inside and outside this state, the numerator of the receipts factor includes apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290 and not otherwise included in the receipts factor under this subsection (2) if a greater proportion of the activity producing the apportionable income is performed in this state based on cost of performance.
- (ii) The denominator of the receipts factor includes apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290 from activities performed everywhere, where the apportionable income taxable under RCW 82.04.290 is not otherwise included in the receipts factor under this subsection (2).
- 18 (3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4) of this section, 19 the definitions in the multistate tax commission's recommended formula 20 for the apportionment and allocation of net income of financial 21 institutions, adopted November 17, 1994, as existing on the effective 22 date of this section, apply to this section.
- 23 (4) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions 24 in this subsection apply throughout this section.
- 25 (a) "Apportionable income" has the same meaning as in RCW 26 82.04.460.
  - (b) "Credit card" means a card or device existing for the purpose of obtaining money, property, labor, or services on credit.
- 29 (c) "Financial institution" has the same meaning as in WAC 458-20-30 14601. However, the department may not make any substantive changes to the definition of "financial institution" in WAC 458-20-14601 unless the changes implement a legislative amendment to this definition of financial institution.
- 34 (d) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of 35 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession 36 of the United States, or any foreign country or political subdivision 37 of a foreign country.

1 **Sec. 107.** RCW 82.04.2907 and 2009 c 535 s 407 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

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- (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of receiving income from royalties ((or charges in the nature of royalties for the granting of intangible rights, such as copyrights, licenses, patents, or franchise fees)), the amount of tax with respect to ((such)) the business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income from royalties ((or charges in the nature of royalties from the business)) multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- 10 (2) For the purposes of this section, "gross income from royalties" means compensation for the use of intangible property, ((such-as)) 11 12 including charges in the nature of royalties, regardless of where the intangible property will be used. For purposes of this subsection, 13 "intangible property" includes copyrights, patents, 14 licenses, franchises, trademarks, trade names, and similar items. ((It)) "Gross" 15 income from royalties" does not include compensation for any natural 16 17 resource, the licensing of prewritten computer software to the end user, or the licensing ((or use)) of digital goods, digital codes, or 18 digital automated services to the end user as defined in RCW 19 82.04.190(11). 20
- 21 **Sec. 108.** RCW 82.04.460 and 2004 c 174 s 6 are each amended to 22 read as follows:
- 23 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person ((rendering services)) earning apportionable income taxable under ((RCW 24 82.04.290-or-82.04.2908)) this chapter and ((maintaining-places-of 25 26 business both within and without this state which contribute to the 27 rendition of such services shall)) also taxable in another state, must, for the purpose of computing tax liability under ((RCW 82.04.290 or 28 29 82.04.2908)) this chapter, apportion to this state, in accordance with 30 <u>section\_105\_of\_this\_act</u>, that portion of the person's ((<del>gross</del>)) apportionable income ((which is)) derived from ((services rendered)) 31 <u>business</u> <u>activities</u> <u>performed</u> within this state. 32 ((<del>Where</del> — <del>such</del> apportionment cannot be accurately made by separate accounting methods, 33 34 the-taxpayer-shall-apportion-to-this-state-that-proportion-of-the 35 taxpayer's total income which the cost of doing business within the 36 state bears to the total cost of doing business both within and without 37 the state.))

- (2) ((Notwithstanding—the—provision—of—subsection—(1)—of—this section, persons doing business both—within and without the state who receive gross income from service charges, as defined in RCW 63.14.010 (relating to amounts charged for granting—the—right or privilege—to make deferred or installment payments) or who receive gross income from engaging—in—business—as—financial—institutions—within—the—scope—of chapter 82.14A RCW (relating—to city taxes—on financial institutions) shall apportion or allocate gross income taxable under RCW 82.04.290—to this state pursuant to—rules promulgated by—the department consistent with—uniform—rules—for—apportionment—or—allocation—developed—by—the states—
- (3+)) The department ((shall)) may by rule provide a method or methods of apportioning or allocating gross income derived from sales of telecommunications service and competitive telephone service((s)) taxed under this chapter, if the gross proceeds of sales subject to tax under this chapter do not fairly represent the extent of the taxpayer's income attributable to this state. ((The rules shall be, so far as feasible, consistent with the methods of apportionment contained in this section and shall require the consideration of those facts, circumstances, and apportionment factors as will result in an equitable and constitutionally permissible division of the services.)) The rule must provide for an equitable and constitutionally permissible division of the tax base.
- (3) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
- (a) "Apportionable income" means gross income of the business generated from engaging in apportionable activities, including income received from apportionable activities performed outside this state if the income would be taxable under this chapter if received from activities in this state, less the exemptions and deductions allowable under this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, "apportionable activities" means only those activities taxed under:
- 33 (i) RCW 82.04.255;

- 34 (ii) RCW 82.04.260 (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), and (12);
- 35 <u>(iii) RCW 82.04.280(5);</u>
- 36 (iv) RCW 82.04.285;
- 37 (v) RCW 82.04.286;
- 38 (vi) RCW 82.04.290;

- 1 (vii) RCW 82.04.2907;
- 2 (viii) RCW 82.04.2908; and
- 3 (ix) RCW 82.04.260(13), 82.04.263, and 82.04.280(1), but only to
- 4 the extent of any activity that would be taxable under any of the
- 5 provisions enumerated under (a)(i) through (viii) of this subsection
- 6 <u>(3) if the tax classifications in RCW 82.04.260(13), 82.04.263, and</u>
- 7 82.04.280(1) did not exist.
- 8 <u>(b)(i) "Taxable in another state" means that the taxpayer is</u>
- 9 <u>subject to a business activities tax by another state on its income</u>
- 10 received from engaging in apportionable activities; or the taxpayer is
- 11 not subject to a business activities tax by another state on its income
- 12 <u>received from engaging in apportionable activities, but any other state</u>
- 13 <u>has jurisdiction to subject the taxpayer to a business activities tax</u>
- on such income under the substantial nexus standards in section 104(1)
- 15 of this act.
- (ii) For purposes of this subsection (3)(b):
- 17 (A) "Business activities tax" has the same meaning as in section
- 18 105 of this act; and
- 19 (B) "State" has the same meaning as in section 106 of this act.
- 20 PART II
- 21 Tax Avoidance Transactions
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. A new section is added to chapter 82.32 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 (1)(a) Unless otherwise specifically provided in statute, the
- 25 department must respect the form of a transaction, except where the
- 26 form of the transaction or a related series of transactions is adopted
- 27 for the purpose of:
- 28 (i) Disguising income received, or otherwise avoiding tax on
- 29 income, from a person that is not affiliated with the taxpayer;
- 30 (ii) Disguising the purchase or sale of property or services from
- 31 or to a person that is not affiliated with the taxpayer; or
- 32 (iii) Avoiding the tax imposed in RCW 82.12.020 on the use of
- 33 property in this state that is owned by an entity organized outside of
- 34 Washington.
- 35 (b) For purposes of this subsection, "affiliated" means under
- 36 common control. "Control" means the possession, directly or

- indirectly, of more than fifty percent of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting shares, by contract, or otherwise.
  - (2)(a) The department must, as resources allow, adopt rules to assist in determining when to disregard the form of a transaction or a related series of transactions adopted for the purposes described in subsection (1)(a)(i) through (iii) of this section. In adopting rules, the department may consider the following judicial doctrines, except to the extent such doctrines are inconsistent with express provisions contained in Washington state statutes:
- 11 (i) The sham transaction doctrine;

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- (ii) The economic substance doctrine;
- (iii) The business purpose doctrine;
- 14 (iv) The substance over form doctrine;
  - (v) The step transaction doctrine; and
- 16 (vi) The assignment of income doctrine.
- 17 (b) The adoption of a rule as required under this subsection is not 18 a condition precedent for the department to use the authority provided 19 in this section. Any rules adopted under this section must include 20 examples of transactions that the department will disregard for tax 21 purposes.
- 22 (3) The provisions of this section are cumulative and nonexclusive 23 and do not affect any other remedies provided to the department under 24 statutory or common law.
  - (4) This section expires July 1, 2011.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 202. A new section is added to chapter 82.32 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1)(a) The department may not use section 201 of this act to disregard any transaction, plan, or arrangement initiated before April 1, 2010, if, in respect to such transaction, plan, or arrangement, the taxpayer had reported its tax liability in conformance with either specific written instructions provided by the department to the taxpayer, a determination published under the authority of RCW 82.32.410, or other document published by the department.
- 35 (b) This section does not apply if the transaction, plan, or 36 arrangement engaged in by the taxpayer differs materially from the

transaction, plan, or arrangement that was addressed in the specific written instructions, published determination, or other published document.

- (2) For purposes of this section, "specific written instructions" means tax reporting instructions provided to a taxpayer and which specifically identifies the taxpayer to whom the instructions apply. Specific written instructions may be provided as part of an audit, tax assessment, determination, closing agreement, or in response to a binding ruling request.
- **Sec. 203.** RCW 82.32.090 and 2006 c 256 s 6 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
  - (1) If payment of any tax due on a return to be filed by a taxpayer is not received by the department of revenue by the due date, there ((shall be)) is assessed a penalty of five percent of the amount of the tax; and if the tax is not received on or before the last day of the month following the due date, there ((shall be)) is assessed a total penalty of fifteen percent of the amount of the tax under this subsection; and if the tax is not received on or before the last day of the second month following the due date, there ((shall be)) is assessed a total penalty of twenty-five percent of the amount of the tax under this subsection. No penalty so added shall be less than five dollars.
  - substantially underpaid, there ((shall be)) is assessed a penalty of five percent of the amount of the tax determined by the department to be due. If payment of any tax determined by the department to be due is not received by the department by the due date specified in the notice, or any extension thereof, there ((shall be)) is assessed a total penalty of fifteen percent of the amount of the tax under this subsection; and if payment of any tax determined by the department to be due is not received on or before the thirtieth day following the due date specified in the notice of tax due, or any extension thereof, there ((shall be)) is assessed a total penalty of twenty-five percent of the amount of the tax under this subsection. No penalty so added ((shall)) may be less than five dollars. As used in this section, "substantially underpaid" means that the taxpayer has paid less than eighty percent of the amount of tax determined by the department to be

due for all of the types of taxes included in, and for the entire period of time covered by, the department's examination, and the amount of underpayment is at least one thousand dollars.

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- (3) If a warrant ((be)) <u>is</u> issued by the department ((<del>of revenue</del>)) for the collection of taxes, increases, and penalties, there ((<del>shall be</del>)) <u>is</u> added thereto a penalty of ten percent of the amount of the tax, but not less than ten dollars.
- (4) If the department finds that a person has engaged in any business or performed any act upon which a tax is imposed under this title and that person has not obtained from the department a registration certificate as required by RCW 82.32.030, the department ((shall)) must impose a penalty of five percent of the amount of tax due from that person for the period that the person was not registered as required by RCW 82.32.030. The department ((shall)) may not impose the penalty under this subsection (4) if a person who has engaged in business taxable under this title without first having registered as required by RCW 82.32.030, prior to any notification by the department of the need to register, obtains a registration certificate from the department.
- (5) If the department finds that all or any part of a deficiency resulted from the disregard of specific written instructions as to reporting or tax liabilities, the department ((shall)) must add a penalty of ten percent of the amount of the additional tax found due because of the failure to follow the instructions. A taxpayer disregards specific written instructions when the department ((of revenue)) has informed the taxpayer in writing of the taxpayer's tax obligations and the taxpayer fails to act in accordance with those instructions unless the department has not issued final instructions because the matter is under appeal pursuant to this chapter or departmental regulations. The department ((shall)) may not assess the penalty under this section upon any taxpayer who has made a good faith effort to comply with the specific written instructions provided by the department to that taxpayer. Specific written instructions may be given as a part of a tax assessment, audit, determination, or closing agreement, provided that such specific written instructions ((shall)) apply only to the taxpayer addressed or referenced on such documents. Any specific written instructions by the department ((of-revenue

- shall)) <u>must</u> be clearly identified as such and ((shall)) <u>must</u> inform the taxpayer that failure to follow the instructions may subject the taxpayer to the penalties imposed by this subsection.
- (6) If the department finds that all or any part of a deficiency 4 resulted from engaging in a disregarded transaction, as described in 5 section 201(1)(a) (i), (ii), or (iii) of this act, the department must 6 7 assess a penalty of thirty-five percent of the additional tax found to be due as a result of engaging in a transaction disregarded by the 8 department under section 201(1)(a) (i), (ii), or (iii) of this act. 9 The penalty provided in this subsection may be assessed together with 10 any other applicable penalties provided in this section on the same tax 11 12 found to be due, except for the evasion penalty provided in subsection 13 (7) of this section. The department may not assess the penalty under this subsection if, before the department discovers the taxpayer's use 14 of a transaction described under section 201(1)(a) (i), (ii), or (iii) 15 of this act, the taxpayer discloses its participation in the 16 17 transaction to the department.
  - (7) If the department finds that all or any part of the deficiency resulted from an intent to evade the tax payable ((hereunder)), a further penalty of fifty percent of the additional tax found to be due ((shall)) must be added.

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- $((\frac{(7)}{)})$  (8) The penalties imposed under subsections (1) through (4) of this section can each be imposed on the same tax found to be due. This subsection does not prohibit or restrict the application of other penalties authorized by law.
- ((+8)) (9) The department ((+6) revenue)) may not impose both the evasion penalty and the penalty for disregarding specific written instructions or the penalty provided in subsection (6) of this section on the same tax found to be due.
- ((+9)) (10) For the purposes of this section, "return" means any document a person is required by the state of Washington to file to satisfy or establish a tax or fee obligation that is administered or collected by the department ((+9)), and that has a statutorily defined due date.
- NEW\_SECTION. Sec. 204. (1) The legislature finds that this state's tax policy with respect to the taxation of transactions between affiliated entities and the income derived from such transactions

(intercompany transactions) has motivated some taxpayers to engage in transactions designed solely or primarily to minimize the tax effects of intercompany transactions. The legislature further finds that some intercompany transactions result from taxpayers that are required to establish affiliated entities to comply with regulatory mandates and that transactions between such affiliates effectively increases the tax burden in this state on the affiliated group of entities.

- (2) Therefore, as existing resources allow, the department of revenue is directed to conduct a review of the state's tax policy with respect to the taxation of intercompany transactions. The review must include the impacts of such transactions under the state's business and occupation tax and state and local sales and use taxes. The department may include other taxes in the review as it deems appropriate.
- (3) In conducting the review, the department must examine how this state's tax policy compares to the tax policy of other states with respect to the taxation of intercompany transactions. The department's review must include an analysis of potential alternatives to the current policy of taxing intercompany transactions, including their estimated revenue impacts if practicable.
- (4) In conducting this review, the department may seek input from members of the business community and others as it deems appropriate.
- (5) The department must report its findings to the fiscal committees of the house of representatives and senate by December 1, 2010. However, if the department has not completed its review by December 1, 2010, the department must provide the fiscal committees of the legislature with a brief status report by December 1, 2010, and the final report by December 1, 2011.
- **Sec. 205.** RCW 82.12.020 and 2009 c 535 s 305 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
  - (1) There is ((hereby)) levied and ((there-shall-be)) collected from every person in this state a tax or excise for the privilege of using within this state as a consumer any:
  - (a) Article of tangible personal property ((purchased at retail, or)) acquired by ((lease, gift, repossession, or bailment, or extracted or-produced-or-manufactured-by-the-person-so-using-the-same,-or otherwise furnished to a person engaged in any business taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) or (7))) the user in any manner, including tangible

- personal property acquired at a casual or isolated sale, and including by-products used by the manufacturer thereof, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are manufactured or are available for purchase within this state;
  - (b) Prewritten computer software, regardless of the method of delivery, but excluding prewritten computer software that is either provided free of charge or is provided for temporary use in viewing information, or both;
  - (c) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or
    (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b), excluding services defined as a retail sale in
    RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) that are provided free of charge;
    - (d) Extended warranty; or

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- (e)(i) Digital good, digital code, or digital automated service, including the use of any services provided by a seller exclusively in connection with digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services.
- (ii) With respect to the use of digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies in respect to:
- (A) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right of permanent use;
  - (B) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of use that is less than permanent;
  - (C) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale; and
- (D) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale.
  - (iii) With respect to digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired other than by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies regardless of whether or not the consumer has a right of permanent use or is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of use.
- (2) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service taxable under RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b), if the sale to, or the use by, the present user or the present user's bailor

or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.

- (3)(a) Except as provided in this section, payment of the tax imposed by this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW by one purchaser or user of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service does not have the effect of exempting any other purchaser or user of the same property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service from the taxes imposed by such chapters.
  - (b) The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply:

- (i) If the sale to, or the use by, the present user or his or her bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by his or her bailor or donor;
- (ii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment and the tax has once been paid based on reasonable rental as determined by RCW 82.12.060 measured by the value of the article at time of first use multiplied by the tax rate imposed by chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter as of the time of first use;
- (iii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment, if the property was acquired by a previous bailee from the same bailor for use in the same general activity and the original bailment was prior to June 9, 1961; or
- (iv) To the use of digital goods or digital automated services, which were obtained through the use of a digital code, if the sale of the digital code to, or the use of the digital code by, the present user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.
- (4)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection (4), the tax is levied and must be collected in an amount equal to the value of the article used, value of the digital good or digital code used, value of the extended warranty used, or value of the service used by the taxpayer, multiplied by the applicable rates in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020.
- (b) In the case of a seller required to collect use tax from the

- purchaser, the tax must be collected in an amount equal to the purchase price multiplied by the applicable rate in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020.
- (5) For purposes of the tax imposed in this section, "person"

  includes anyone within the definition of "buyer," "purchaser," and

  "consumer" in RCW 82.08.010.
- **Sec. 206.** RCW 82.45.010 and 2008 c 116 s 3 and 2008 c 6 s 701 are 8 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- (1) As used in this chapter, the term "sale" ((shall have)) has its ordinary meaning and ((shall)) includes any conveyance, grant, assignment, quitclaim, or transfer of the ownership of or title to real property, including standing timber, or any estate or interest therein for a valuable consideration, and any contract for such conveyance, grant, assignment, quitclaim, or transfer, and any lease with an option to purchase real property, including standing timber, or any estate or interest therein or other contract under which possession of the property is given to the purchaser, or any other person at the purchaser's direction, and title to the property is retained by the vendor as security for the payment of the purchase price. The term also includes the grant, assignment, quitclaim, sale, or transfer of improvements constructed upon leased land.
  - (2)(a) The term "sale" also includes the transfer or acquisition within any twelve-month period of a controlling interest in any entity with an interest in real property located in this state for a valuable consideration.
  - (b) For the sole purpose of determining whether, pursuant to the exercise of an option, a controlling interest was transferred or acquired within a twelve-month period, the date that the option agreement was executed is the date on which the transfer or acquisition of the controlling interest is deemed to occur. For all other purposes under this chapter, the date upon which the option is exercised is the date of the transfer or acquisition of the controlling interest.
- 33 <u>(c)</u> For purposes of this subsection, all acquisitions of persons 34 acting in concert ((shall)) <u>must</u> be aggregated for purposes of 35 determining whether a transfer or acquisition of a controlling interest 36 has taken place. The department ((of-revenue-shall)) <u>must</u> adopt

standards by rule to determine when persons are acting in concert. In adopting a rule for this purpose, the department ((shall)) must consider the following:

- $((\frac{a}{a}))$  (i) Persons  $(\frac{shall}{a})$  must be treated as acting in concert when they have a relationship with each other such that one person influences or controls the actions of another through common ownership; and
- $((\frac{b}{b}))$  (ii) When persons are not commonly owned or controlled, they  $(\frac{shall}{b})$  must be treated as acting in concert only when the unity with which the purchasers have negotiated and will consummate the transfer of ownership interests supports a finding that they are acting as a single entity. If the acquisitions are completely independent, with each purchaser buying without regard to the identity of the other purchasers, then the acquisitions  $(\frac{shall be}{a})$  are considered separate acquisitions.
  - (3) The term "sale" ((shall)) does not include:
  - (a) A transfer by gift, devise, or inheritance.
- (b) A transfer of any leasehold interest other than of the type mentioned above.
  - (c) A cancellation or forfeiture of a vendee's interest in a contract for the sale of real property, whether or not such contract contains a forfeiture clause, or deed in lieu of foreclosure of a mortgage.
  - (d) The partition of property by tenants in common by agreement or as the result of a court decree.
  - (e) The assignment of property or interest in property from one spouse or one domestic partner to the other spouse or other domestic partner in accordance with the terms of a decree of dissolution of marriage or state registered domestic partnership or in fulfillment of a property settlement agreement.
  - (f) The assignment or other transfer of a vendor's interest in a contract for the sale of real property, even though accompanied by a conveyance of the vendor's interest in the real property involved.
  - (g) Transfers by appropriation or decree in condemnation proceedings brought by the United States, the state or any political subdivision thereof, or a municipal corporation.
- 37 (h) A mortgage or other transfer of an interest in real property 38 merely to secure a debt, or the assignment thereof.

(i) Any transfer or conveyance made pursuant to a deed of trust or an order of sale by the court in any mortgage, deed of trust, or lien foreclosure proceeding or upon execution of a judgment, or deed in lieu of foreclosure to satisfy a mortgage or deed of trust.

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- (j) A conveyance to the federal housing administration or veterans administration by an authorized mortgagee made pursuant to a contract of insurance or guaranty with the federal housing administration or veterans administration.
- (k) A transfer in compliance with the terms of any lease or contract upon which the tax as imposed by this chapter has been paid or where the lease or contract was entered into prior to the date this tax was first imposed.
  - (1) The sale of any grave or lot in an established cemetery.
- 14 (m) A sale by the United States, this state or any political subdivision thereof, or a municipal corporation of this state.
  - (n) A sale to a regional transit authority or public corporation under RCW 81.112.320 under a sale/leaseback agreement under RCW 81.112.300.
    - (o) A transfer of real property, however effected, if it consists of a mere change in identity or form of ownership of an entity where there is no change in the beneficial ownership. These include transfers to a corporation or partnership which is wholly owned by the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner((: PROVIDED, That)). However, if thereafter such transferee corporation or partnership voluntarily transfers such real property, or such transferor, spouse or domestic partner, or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner voluntarily transfer stock in the transferee corporation or interest in the transferee partnership capital, as the case may be, to other than (((1))) (i) the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner,  $((\frac{2}{2}))$  (ii) a trust having the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner as beneficiaries at the time of the transfer to the trust, or  $((\frac{3}{3}))$ (iii) a corporation or partnership wholly owned by the original transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or

children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner, within three years of the original transfer to which this exemption applies, and the tax on the subsequent transfer has not been paid within sixty days of becoming due, excise taxes ((shall)) become due and payable on the original transfer as otherwise provided by law.

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- (p)(i) A transfer that for federal income tax purposes does not involve the recognition of gain or loss for entity formation, liquidation or dissolution, and reorganization, including but not limited to nonrecognition of gain or loss because of application of ((section)) 26 U.S.C. Sec. 332, 337, 351, 368(a)(1), 721, or 731 of the internal revenue gode of 1986, as amended.
- 12 (ii) However, the transfer described in (p)(i) of this subsection 13 cannot be preceded or followed within a twelve-month period by another 14 transfer or series of transfers, that, when combined with the otherwise exempt transfer or transfers described in (p)(i) of this subsection, 15 results in the transfer of a controlling interest in the entity for 16 17 valuable consideration, and in which one or more persons previously holding a controlling interest in the entity receive cash or property 18 in exchange for any interest the person or persons acting in concert 19 hold in the entity. This subsection (3)(p)(ii) does not apply to that 20 21 part of the transfer involving property received that is the real 22 property interest that the person or persons originally contributed to 23 the entity or when one or more persons who did not contribute real 24 property or belong to the entity at a time when real property was 25 purchased receive cash or personal property in exchange for that person or persons' interest in the entity. The real estate excise tax under 26 27 this subsection (3)(p)(ii) is imposed upon the person or persons who previously held a controlling interest in the entity. 28
- (q) A qualified sale of a manufactured/mobile home community, as defined in RCW 59.20.030, that takes place on or after June 12, 2008, but before December 31, 2018.
- 32 **Sec. 207.** RCW 82.45.033 and 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 505 are each amended to read as follows:
- 34 <u>(1)</u> As used in this chapter, the term "controlling interest" has the following meaning:
- 36  $((\frac{1}{1}))$  (a) In the case of a corporation, either fifty percent or

- more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the corporation entitled to vote, or fifty percent of the capital, profits, or beneficial interest in the voting stock of the corporation; and
- 4 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> In the case of a partnership, association, trust, or 5 other entity, fifty percent or more of the capital, profits, or 6 beneficial interest in such partnership, association, trust, or other 7 entity.
- 8 (2) The department may, at the department's option, enforce the
  9 obligation of the seller under this chapter as provided in this
  10 subsection (2):
- 11 (a) In the transfer or acquisition of a controlling interest as
  12 defined in subsection (1)(a) of this section, either against the
  13 corporation in which a controlling interest is transferred or acquired,
  14 against the person or persons who acquired the controlling interest in
  15 the corporation or, when the corporation is not a publicly traded
  16 company, against the person or persons who transferred the controlling
  17 interest in the corporation; and
- 18 (b) In the transfer or acquisition of a controlling interest as
  19 defined in subsection (1)(b) of this section, either against the entity
  20 in which a controlling interest is transferred or acquired or against
  21 the person or persons who transferred or acquired the controlling
  22 interest in the entity.
- 23 **Sec. 208.** RCW 82.45.070 and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28A.45.070 are each amended to read as follows:
- The tax ((herein)) provided for <u>in this chapter</u> and any interest or penalties thereon ((shall be)) <u>is</u> a specific lien upon each ((piece)) parcel of real property <u>located in this state that is either</u> sold <u>or that is owned by an entity in which a controlling interest has been transferred or acquired. The lien attaches from the time of sale until the tax ((shall have been)) <u>is</u> paid, which lien may be enforced in the manner prescribed for the foreclosure of mortgages.</u>
- 32 **Sec. 209.** RCW 82.45.080 and 1980 c 154 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- 34 (1) The tax levied under this chapter ((shall-be)) is the 35 obligation of the seller and the department ((of revenue)) may, at the 36 department's option, enforce the obligation through an action of debt

against the seller or the department may proceed in the manner prescribed for the foreclosure of mortgages ((and-resort-to)). The department's use of one course of enforcement ((shall)) is not ((be)) an election not to pursue the other.

- (2) For purposes of this section and notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the seller is the parent corporation of a wholly owned subsidiary, when such subsidiary is the transferor to a third-party transferee and the subsidiary is dissolved before paying the tax imposed under this chapter.
- **Sec. 210.** RCW 82.45.100 and 2007 c 111 s 112 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
  - (1) Payment of the tax imposed under this chapter is due and payable immediately at the time of sale, and if not paid within one month thereafter ((shall)) will bear interest from the time of sale until the date of payment.
- 16 (a) Interest imposed before January 1, 1999, ((shall-be)) is
  17 computed at the rate of one percent per month.
  - (b) Interest imposed after December 31, 1998, ((shall-be)) is computed on a monthly basis at the rate as computed under RCW 82.32.050(2). The rate so computed ((shall)) must be adjusted on the first day of January of each year for use in computing interest for that calendar year. The department  $((of\ revenue\ shall))$  must provide written notification to the county treasurers of the variable rate on or before December 1st of the year preceding the calendar year in which the rate applies.
  - (2) In addition to the interest described in subsection (1) of this section, if the payment of any tax is not received by the county treasurer or the department of revenue, as the case may be, within one month of the date due, there ((shall be)) is assessed a penalty of five percent of the amount of the tax; if the tax is not received within two months of the date due, there ((shall)) will be assessed a total penalty of ten percent of the amount of the tax; and if the tax is not received within three months of the date due, there ((shall)) will be assessed a total penalty of twenty percent of the amount of the tax. The payment of the penalty described in this subsection ((shall be)) is collectible from the seller only, and RCW 82.45.070 does not apply to the penalties described in this subsection.

1 (3) If the tax imposed under this chapter is not received by the 2 due date, the transferee ((shall be)) is personally liable for the tax, 3 along with any interest as provided in subsection (1) of this section, 4 unless((÷

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- $\frac{(a)}{a}$ )) <u>a</u>n instrument evidencing the sale is recorded in the official real property records of the county in which the property conveyed is located( $\frac{1}{a}$ ) or
- (b) Either the transferor or transferee notifies the department of revenue-in-writing-of-the-occurrence-of-the-sale-within-thirty-days following the date of the sale)).
- (4) If upon examination of any affidavits or from other information obtained by the department or its agents it appears that all or a portion of the tax is unpaid, the department ((shall)) must assess against the taxpayer the additional amount found to be due plus interest and penalties as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section. The department ((shall)) must notify the taxpayer by mail, or electronically as provided in RCW 82.32.135, of the additional amount and the same ((shall)) becomes due and ((shall)) must be paid within thirty days from the date of the notice, or within such further time as the department may provide.
- (5) No assessment or refund may be made by the department more than four years after the date of sale except upon a showing of:
  - (a) Fraud or misrepresentation of a material fact by the taxpayer;
  - (b) A failure by the taxpayer to record documentation of a sale or otherwise report the sale to the county treasurer; or
- (c) A failure of the transferor or transferee to report the sale under RCW 82.45.090(2).
- (6) Penalties collected on taxes due under this chapter under subsection (2) of this section and RCW 82.32.090 (2) through (7) ((shall)) must be deposited in the housing trust fund as described in chapter 43.185 RCW.
- 32 **Sec. 211.** RCW 82.45.220 and 2005 c 326 s 3 are each amended to 33 read as follows:
- 34 <u>(1)</u> An organization that fails to report a transfer of the 35 controlling interest in the organization under RCW 43.07.390 to the 36 secretary of state and is later determined to be subject to real estate

- excise taxes due to the transfer, ((shall-be)) is subject to the 1 2 provisions of RCW 82.45.100 as well as the evasion penalty in RCW 82.32.090((+6))) (7). 3
- (2) Subsection (1) of this section also applies to the failure to 4 5 report to the secretary of state the granting of an option to acquire an interest in the organization if the exercise of the option would 7 result in a sale as defined in RCW 82.45.010(2).
- **Sec. 212.** RCW 43.07.390 and 2005 c 326 s 2 are each amended to 8 read as follows: 9
- (1) (1) (a) The secretary of state ((shall)) must adopt rules requiring 10 any entity that is required to file an annual report with the secretary 11 of state, including entities under Titles 23, 23B, 24, and 25 RCW, to 12 disclose: (i) Any transfer ((in)) of the controlling interest ((of)) 13 <u>in</u> the entity ((and-any-interest-in-real-property)); and (ii) the 14 15 granting of any option to acquire an interest in the entity if the exercise of the option would result in a sale as defined in RCW 16 17 82.45.010(2).
- (b) The disclosure requirement in this subsection only applies to 18 entities owning an interest in real property located in this state. 19
  - (2) This information ((shall)) must be made available to the department of revenue upon request for the purposes of tracking the transfer of the controlling interest in <a href="entities owning">entities owning</a> real property and to determine when the real estate excise tax is applicable in such cases.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, "controlling interest" has 25 26 the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.45.033.

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## Modifying and Placing a Cap on the First Mortgage Deduction

NEW SECTION. Sec. 301. In 1980, the legislature adopted a business and occupation tax deduction to financial businesses for amounts derived from interest received on investments or loans primarily secured by first mortgages or trust deeds on nontransient residential properties which was codified in RCW 82.04.4292. However, the Washington state supreme court in Homestreet, Inc. v. Dep't of Revenue, 166 Wn.2d 444 (2009) held that a mortgage lender was entitled

to a business and occupation tax deduction under RCW 82.04.4292 for the 1 2 portion of interest it retained for servicing loans and mortgage-backed securities that it sold on a service-retained basis on the secondary 3 market. The legislature finds that inclusion of interest retained for 4 5 servicing loans and mortgage-backed securities was not within the legislative intent when the deduction provided in 82.04.4292 was 6 7 adopted in 1980. Therefore, by this act, the legislature declares that the deduction provided by RCW 82.04.4292 does not apply to fees that 8 9 are received in exchange for services, regardless of whether the source of the fees is or may have been interest when paid by a borrower. 10

- 11 **Sec. 302.** RCW 82.04.4292 and 1980 c 37 s 12 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
- (1) In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax 13 by those engaged in banking, loan, security or other financial 14 businesses, amounts derived from interest received on investments or 15 16 loans primarily secured by first mortgages or trust 17 nontransient residential properties.

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- (2) Interest deductible under this section includes the portion of fees charged to borrowers, including points and loan origination fees, that is recognized over the life of the loan as an adjustment to yield in the taxpayer's books and records according to generally accepted accounting principles.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section notwithstanding, the 23 following is a nonexclusive list of items that are not deductible under 24 this section: 25
  - (a) Fees for specific services such as: Document preparation fees; finder fees; brokerage fees; title examination fees; fees for credit checks; notary fees; loan application fees; interest lock-in fees if the loan is not made; servicing fees, including servicing fees received by lenders when they sell loans or mortgage-backed or mortgage-related securities in the secondary market while retaining the right to service the loans or securities and receive a portion of the interest payments as the servicing fee; and similar fees or amounts;
- 34 (b) Fees received in consideration for an agreement to make funds 35 available for a specific period of time at specified terms, commonly 36 referred to as commitment fees;

- (c) Any other fees, or portion of a fee, that is not recognized 1 over the life of the loan as an adjustment to yield in the taxpayer's 2 books <u>and</u> <u>records</u> <u>according</u> <u>to</u> <u>generally</u> <u>accepted</u> <u>accounting</u> 3 principles; and 4
- 5 (d) Gains on the sale of valuable rights such as:
- (i) Service release premiums, which are amounts received when 6 7 servicing rights are sold; and
- 8 (ii) Gains on the sale of loans.
- 9 (4) The total amount a person may deduct under this section for any calendar year may not exceed one hundred million dollars. 10

11 PART IV

#### 12 Repealing the Nonresident Sales Tax Exemption

NEW SECTION. Sec. 401. RCW 82.08.0273 (Exemptions--Sales to 13 14 nonresidents of tangible personal property, digital goods, and digital 15 codes for use outside the state--Proof of nonresident status--Penalties) and 2009 c 535 s 512, 2007 c 135 s 2, 2003 c 53 s 399, 1993 16 c 444 s 1, 1988 c 96 s 1, 1982 1st ex.s. c 5 s 1, & 1980 c 37 s 39 are 17 each repealed. 18

19 PART V

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# Direct Seller Business and Occupation Tax Exemption

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 501. (1) A business and occupation tax exemption is provided in RCW 82.04.423 for certain out-of-state sellers that sell consumer products exclusively to or through a direct seller's The intent of the legislature in enacting this representative. exemption was to provide a narrow exemption for out-of-state businesses engaged in direct sales of consumer products, typically accomplished through in-home parties or door-to-door selling.
- (2) In Dot Foods, Inc. v. Dep't of Revenue, Docket No. 81022-2 (September 10, 2009), the Washington supreme court held that the exemption in RCW 82.04.423 applied to a taxpayer: (a) That sold nonconsumer products through its representative in addition to consumer products; and (b) whose consumer products were ultimately sold at retail in permanent retail establishments.

(3) The legislature finds that most out-of-state businesses selling consumer products in this state will either be eligible for the exemption under RCW 82.04.423 or could easily restructure their business operations to qualify for the exemption. As a result, the legislature expects that the broadened interpretation of the direct sellers' exemption will lead to large and devastating revenue losses. This comes at a time when the state's existing budget is facing a two billion six hundred million dollar shortfall, which could grow, while at the same time the demand for state and state-funded services is also growing. Moreover, the legislature further finds that RCW 82.04.423 provides preferential tax treatment for out-of-state businesses over their in-state competitors and now creates a strong incentive for in-state businesses to move their operations outside Washington.

- (4) Therefore, the legislature finds that it is necessary to reaffirm the legislature's intent in establishing the direct sellers' exemption and prevent the loss of revenues resulting from the expanded interpretation of the exemption by amending RCW 82.04.423 retroactively to conform the exemption to the original intent of the legislature and by prospectively ending the direct sellers' exemption as of the effective date of this section.
- **Sec. 502.** RCW 82.04.423 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 66 s 5 are each 22 amended to read as follows:
  - (1) Prior to April 1, 2010, this chapter ((shall)) does not apply to any person in respect to gross income derived from the business of making sales at wholesale or retail if such person:
    - (a) Does not own or lease real property within this state; and
  - (b) Does not regularly maintain a stock of tangible personal property in this state for sale in the ordinary course of business; and
- 29 (c) Is not a corporation incorporated under the laws of this state; 30 and
  - (d) Makes sales in this state exclusively to or through a direct seller's representative.
- 33 (2) For purposes of this section, the term "direct seller's 34 representative" means a person who buys <u>only</u> consumer products on a 35 buy-sell basis or a deposit-commission basis for resale, by the buyer 36 or any other person, in the home or otherwise than in a permanent

- retail establishment, or who sells <u>at retail</u>, or solicits the sale <u>at retail</u> of, <u>only</u> consumer products in the home or otherwise than in a permanent retail establishment; and
  - (a) Substantially all of the remuneration paid to such person, whether or not paid in cash, for the performance of services described in this subsection is directly related to sales or other output, including the performance of services, rather than the number of hours worked; and
  - (b) The services performed by the person are performed pursuant to a written contract between such person and the person for whom the services are performed and such contract provides that the person will not be treated as an employee with respect to such purposes for federal tax purposes.
- (3) Nothing in this section ((shall)) may be construed to imply that a person exempt from tax under this section was engaged in a business activity taxable under this chapter prior to ((the enactment of this section)) August 23, 1983.

18 PART VI

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## Business and Occupation Tax Preferences for Manufacturers of Products Derived from Certain Agricultural Products

NEW SECTION. Sec. 601. (1)(a) In 1967, the legislature amended RCW 82.04.260 in chapter 149, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. to authorize a preferential business and occupation tax rate for slaughtering, breaking, and/or processing perishable meat products and/or selling the same at wholesale. The legislature finds that RCW 82.04.260(4) was interpreted by the state supreme court on January 13, 2005, in Agrilink Foods, Inc. v. Department of Revenue, 153 Wn.2d 392 (2005). The supreme court held that the preferential business and occupation tax rate on the slaughtering, breaking, and/or processing of perishable meat products applied to the processing of perishable meat products into nonperishable finished products, such as canned food.

(b) The legislature intends to narrow the exemption provided for slaughtering, breaking, and/or processing perishable meat products and/or selling such products at wholesale by requiring that the end product be a perishable meat product; a nonperishable meat product that

is comprised primarily of animal carcass by weight or volume, other than a canned meat product; or a meat by-product.

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- (2)(a) A business and occupation tax exemption is provided for (i) manufacturing by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables, and (ii) selling such products at wholesale by the manufacturer to purchasers who transport the goods out of state in the ordinary course of business. This exemption expires July 1, 2012, and is replaced by a preferential business and occupation tax rate.
- (b) The legislature finds that the rationale of the Agrilink decision, if applied to these tax preferences, could result in preferential tax treatment for any processed food product that contained any fresh fruit or vegetable as an ingredient, however small the amount.
- 15 (c) The legislature intends to narrow the tax preference provided 16 to fruit and vegetable manufacturers by requiring that the end product 17 be comprised either (i) exclusively of fruits and/or vegetables, or 18 (ii) of any combination of fruits, vegetables, and certain other 19 substances that, cumulatively, may not exceed the amount of fruits and 20 vegetables contained in the product measured by weight or volume.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 602. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 RCW to read as follows:
- 23 (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing:
  - (a) Perishable meat products, by slaughtering, breaking, or processing, if the finished product is a perishable meat product; as to such persons the tax imposed is equal to the value of the perishable meat products manufactured, or, in the case of a processor for hire, the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;
  - (b) Meat products, by dehydration, curing, smoking, or any combination of these activities, if the finished meat products are not canned; as to such persons the tax imposed is equal to the value of the meat products manufactured, or, in the case of a processor for hire, the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;

- 1 (c) Hides, tallow, meat meal, and other similar meat by-products, 2 if such products are derived in part from animals and manufactured in 3 a rendering plant licensed under chapter 16.68 RCW; as to such persons 4 the tax imposed is equal to the value of the products manufactured, or, 5 in the case of a processor for hire, the gross income of the business, 6 multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.
  - (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling at wholesale:
  - (a) Perishable meat products; as to such persons the tax imposed is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;
  - (b) Meat products that have been manufactured by the seller by dehydration, curing, smoking, or any combination of such activities, if the finished meat products are not canned; as to such persons the tax imposed is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;
- 17 (c) Hides, tallow, meat meal, and other similar meat by-products, 18 if such products are derived in part from animals and manufactured by 19 the seller in a rendering plant; as to such persons the tax imposed is 20 equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the 21 rate of 0.138 percent.
- 22 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 23 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
  - (a) "Animal" means all members of the animal kingdom except humans, fish, and insects.
- 26 (b) "Carcass" means all or any parts, including viscera, of a slaughtered animal.
  - (c) "Fish" means any water-breathing animal, including shellfish.
  - (d) "Hide" means any unprocessed animal pelt or skin.
  - (e)(i) "Meat products" means:

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- (A) Products comprised exclusively of animal carcass; and
- 32 (B) Products, such as jerky, sausage, and other cured meat 33 products, that are comprised primarily of animal carcass by weight or 34 volume and may also contain water; nitrates; nitrites; acids; binders 35 and extenders; natural or synthetic casings; colorings; flavorings such 36 as soy sauce, liquid smoke, seasonings, citric acid, sugar, molasses, 37 corn syrup, and vinegar; and similar substances.

- (ii) Except as provided in (e)(i) of this subsection (3), "meat 1 2 products" does not include products containing any cereal grains or cereal-grain products, dairy products, legumes and legume products, 3 fruit or vegetable products as defined in RCW 82.04.260, and similar 4 5 ingredients, unless the ingredient is used as a flavoring. For purposes of this subsection, "flavoring" means a substance that 6 7 contains the flavoring constituents derived from a spice, fruit or fruit juice, vegetable or vegetable juice, edible yeast, herb, bark, 8 bud, root, leaf, or any other edible substance of plant origin, whose 9 primary function in food is flavoring or seasoning rather than 10 11 nutritional, and which may legally appear as "natural flavor," "flavor," or "flavorings" in the ingredient statement on the label of 12 13 the meat product.
- 14 (iii) "Meat products" includes only products that are intended for 15 human consumption as food or animal consumption as feed.
- 16 (f) "Perishable" means having a high risk of spoilage within thirty 17 days of manufacture without any refrigeration or freezing.

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- (g) "Rendering plant" means any place of business or location where dead animals or any part or portion thereof, or packing house refuse, are processed for the purpose of obtaining the hide, skin, grease residue, or any other by-product whatsoever.
- 22 **Sec. 603.** RCW 82.04.4266 and 2006 c 354 s 3 are each amended to 23 read as follows:
  - (1) This chapter ((shall)) does not apply to the value of products or the gross proceeds of sales derived from:
    - (a) Manufacturing fruit((s)) or vegetable((s)) products by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables; or
    - (b) Selling at wholesale fruit((s)) or vegetable((s)) products manufactured by the seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state. A person taking an exemption under this subsection (1)(b) must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state.
      - (2)(a) "Fruit or vegetable products" means:

- 3 (ii) Products comprised of fruits, vegetables, or both, and which
- 4 <u>may also contain water, sugar, salt, seasonings, preservatives,</u>
- 5 <u>binders, stabilizers, flavorings, yeast, and similar substances.</u>
- 6 However, the amount of all ingredients contained in the product, other
- 7 than fruits, vegetables, and water, may not exceed the amount of fruits
- 8 and vegetables contained in the product measured by weight or volume.
- 9 <u>(b) "Fruit or vegetable products" includes only products that are</u>
  10 intended for human consumption as food or animal consumption as feed.
  - (3) This section expires July 1, 2012.

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- 12 **Sec. 604.** RCW 82.04.260 and 2009 c 479 s 64, 2009 c 461 s 1, and 2009 c 162 s 34 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 14 (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing:
  - (a) Wheat into flour, barley into pearl barley, soybeans into soybean oil, canola into canola oil, canola meal, or canola byproducts, or sunflower seeds into sunflower oil; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the flour, pearl barley, oil, canola meal, or canola byproduct manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent;
  - (b) Beginning July 1, 2012, seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing by that person; or selling manufactured seafood products that remain in a raw, raw frozen, or raw salted state at the completion of the manufacturing, to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state;
- 34 (c) Beginning July 1, 2012, dairy products that as of September 20, 2001, are identified in 21 C.F.R., chapter 1, parts 131, 133, and 135, including by-products from the manufacturing of the dairy products such as whey and casein; or selling the same to purchasers who transport in

the ordinary course of business the goods out of state; as to such persons the tax imposed ((shall-be)) is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state;

- (d)(i) Beginning July 1, 2012, fruit((s)) or vegetable((s)) products by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables, or selling at wholesale fruit((s)) or vegetable((s)) products manufactured by the seller by canning, preserving, freezing, processing, or dehydrating fresh fruits or vegetables and sold to purchasers who transport in the ordinary course of business the goods out of this state; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the products manufactured or the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent. Sellers must keep and preserve records for the period required by RCW 82.32.070 establishing that the goods were transported by the purchaser in the ordinary course of business out of this state;
- 21 <u>(ii) For purposes of this subsection, "fruit or vegetable products"</u>
  22 <u>means:</u>
- (A) Products comprised exclusively of fruits, vegetables, or both;
  or
- 25 (B) Products comprised of fruits, vegetables, or both, and which
  26 may also contain water, sugar, salt, seasonings, preservatives,
  27 binders, stabilizers, flavorings, yeast, and similar substances.
  28 However, the amount of all ingredients contained in the product, other
  29 than fruits, vegetables, and water, may not exceed the amount of fruits
  30 and vegetables contained in the product measured by weight or volume;
- (iii) "Fruit and vegetable products" includes only products that
  are intended for human consumption as food or animal consumption as
  feed;
  - (e) Until July 1, 2009, alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of alcohol fuel, biodiesel fuel, or biodiesel feedstock manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent; and

(f) Alcohol fuel or wood biomass fuel, as those terms are defined in RCW 82.29A.135; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of alcohol fuel or wood biomass fuel manufactured, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.

- (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of splitting or processing dried peas; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the value of the peas split or processed, multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.
- (3) Upon every nonprofit corporation and nonprofit association engaging within this state in research and development, as to such corporations and associations, the amount of tax with respect to such activities (( $\frac{\text{shall be}}{\text{be}}$ )) is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- (4) ((Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of slaughtering, breaking and/or processing perishable meat products and/or selling the same at wholesale only and not at retail; as to such persons the tax imposed shall be equal to the gross proceeds derived from such sales multiplied by the rate of 0.138 percent.
- (5))) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of acting as a travel agent or tour operator; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- $((\frac{(6)}{)})$  (5) Upon every person engaging within this state in business as an international steamship agent, international customs house broker, international freight forwarder, vessel and/or cargo charter broker in foreign commerce, and/or international air cargo agent; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to only international activities  $((\frac{\text{shall}-be}{\text{be}}))$  is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- $((rac{(+7)}{)})$  (6) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of stevedoring and associated activities pertinent to the movement of goods and commodities in waterborne interstate or foreign commerce; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business  $((rac{shall be}{b}))$  is equal to the gross proceeds derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent. Persons subject to taxation under this subsection  $((rac{shall be}{b}))$  are exempt from payment of taxes imposed by chapter 82.16 RCW for that portion of their business

subject to taxation under this subsection. Stevedoring and associated 1 activities pertinent to the conduct of goods and commodities in 2 waterborne interstate or foreign commerce are defined as all activities 3 of a labor, service or transportation nature whereby cargo may be 4 5 loaded or unloaded to or from vessels or barges, passing over, onto or under a wharf, pier, or similar structure; cargo may be moved to a 6 7 warehouse or similar holding or storage yard or area to await further movement in import or export or may move to a consolidation freight 8 station and be stuffed, unstuffed, containerized, separated or 9 10 otherwise segregated or aggregated for delivery or loaded on any mode of transportation for delivery to its consignee. Specific activities 11 12 included in this definition are: Wharfage, handling, loading, 13 unloading, moving of cargo to a convenient place of delivery to the consignee or a convenient place for further movement to export mode; 14 documentation services in connection with the receipt, delivery, 15 checking, care, custody and control of cargo required in the transfer 16 17 of cargo; imported automobile handling prior to delivery to consignee; terminal stevedoring and incidental vessel services, including but not 18 limited to plugging and unplugging refrigerator service to containers, 19 trailers, and other refrigerated cargo receptacles, and securing ship 20 21 hatch covers.

(((8))) (7)(a) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of disposing of low-level waste, as defined in RCW 43.145.010; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income of the business, excluding any fees imposed under chapter 43.200 RCW, multiplied by the rate of 3.3 percent.

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(b) If the gross income of the taxpayer is attributable to activities both within and without this state, the gross income attributable to this state ((shall)) must be determined in accordance with the methods of apportionment required under RCW 82.04.460.

 $((\frac{9}{1}))$  (8) Upon every person engaging within this state as an insurance producer or title insurance agent licensed under chapter 48.17 RCW or a surplus line broker licensed under chapter 48.15 RCW; as to such persons, the amount of the tax with respect to such licensed activities ((shall be)) is equal to the gross income of such business multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.

- ((<del>(10)</del>)) <u>(9)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in business as a hospital, as defined in chapter 70.41 RCW, that is operated as a nonprofit corporation or by the state or any of its political subdivisions, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such activities ((<del>shall be</del>)) <u>is</u> equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.75 percent through June 30, 1995, and 1.5 percent thereafter.
- engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing commercial airplanes, or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail or wholesale, of commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)), in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) is equal to the value of the product manufactured and the gross proceeds of sales of the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) is equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of:
- 18 (i) 0.4235 percent from October 1, 2005, through ((the later of))
  19 June 30, 2007; and
  - (ii) 0.2904 percent beginning July 1, 2007.

- (b) Beginning July 1, 2008, upon every person who is not eligible to report under the provisions of (a) of this subsection (((11))) (10) and is engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes, or making sales, at retail or wholesale, of such tooling manufactured by the seller, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)), in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) is equal to the value of the product manufactured and the gross proceeds of sales of the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) is equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.
- 33 (c) For the purposes of this subsection  $((\frac{11}{11}))$  (10), "commercial airplane" and "component" have the same meanings as provided in RCW 82.32.550.
- 36 (d) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a person eligible for the tax rate under this subsection (((11))) (10) must report as required under RCW 82.32.545.

- 1 (e) This subsection  $((\frac{11}{11}))$  (10) does not apply on and after July 2 1, 2024.
- $((\frac{12}{12}))$  (11)(a) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of extracting timber or extracting for hire timber; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to the business ((shall)), in the case of extractors, ((be)) is equal to the value of products, including by-products, extracted, or in the case of extractors for hire, ((be)) <u>is</u> equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2024.

- (b) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing or processing for hire: (i) Timber into timber products or wood products; or (ii) timber products into other timber products or wood products; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall)), in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) is equal to the value of products, including by-products, manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) is equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2024.
  - (c) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling at wholesale: (i) Timber extracted by that person; (ii) timber products manufactured by that person from timber or other timber products; or (iii) wood products manufactured by that person from timber or timber products; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the timber, timber products, or wood products multiplied by the rate of 0.4235 percent from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and 0.2904 percent from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2024.
- (d) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person engaging within this state in the business of selling standing timber; as to such persons the amount of the tax with respect to the business ((shall-be)) is equal to the gross income of the business multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent. For purposes of this subsection (((12))) (11)(d), "selling standing timber" means the sale of timber apart from the land, where the buyer is required to sever the timber within thirty months

- from the date of the original contract, regardless of the method of payment for the timber and whether title to the timber transfers before, upon, or after severance.
  - (e) For purposes of this subsection, the following definitions apply:
    - (i) "Biocomposite surface products" means surface material products containing, by weight or volume, more than fifty percent recycled paper and that also use nonpetroleum-based phenolic resin as a bonding agent.
  - (ii) "Paper and paper products" means products made of interwoven cellulosic fibers held together largely by hydrogen bonding. "Paper and paper products" includes newsprint; office, printing, fine, and pressure-sensitive papers; paper napkins, towels, and toilet tissue; kraft bag, construction, and other kraft industrial papers; paperboard, liquid packaging containers, containerboard, corrugated, and solid-fiber containers including linerboard and corrugated medium; and related types of cellulosic products containing primarily, by weight or volume, cellulosic materials. "Paper and paper products" does not include books, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, and other printed publications, advertising materials, calendars, and similar types of printed materials.
  - (iii) "Recycled paper" means paper and paper products having fifty percent or more of their fiber content that comes from postconsumer waste. For purposes of this subsection  $((\frac{12}{12}))$   $(\frac{11}{12})$   $(\frac{11}{12})$  "postconsumer waste" means a finished material that would normally be disposed of as solid waste, having completed its life cycle as a consumer item.
  - (iv) "Timber" means forest trees, standing or down, on privately or publicly owned land. "Timber" does not include Christmas trees that are cultivated by agricultural methods or short-rotation hardwoods as defined in RCW 84.33.035.
    - (v) "Timber products" means:

- (A) Logs, wood chips, sawdust, wood waste, and similar products obtained wholly from the processing of timber, short-rotation hardwoods as defined in RCW 84.33.035, or both;
- 35 (B) Pulp, including market pulp and pulp derived from recovered 36 paper or paper products; and
- 37 (C) Recycled paper, but only when used in the manufacture of 38 biocomposite surface products.

(vi) "Wood products" means paper and paper products; dimensional lumber; engineered wood products such as particleboard, oriented strand board, medium density fiberboard, and plywood; wood doors; wood windows; and biocomposite surface products.

- $((\frac{13}{13}))$  (12) Upon every person engaging within this state in inspecting, testing, labeling, and storing canned salmon owned by another person, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such activities  $(\frac{12}{13})$  is equal to the gross income derived from such activities multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- 10 ((<del>(14)</del>)) <u>(13)</u> Upon every person engaging within this state in the 11 business of printing a newspaper, publishing a newspaper, or both, the 12 amount of tax on such business is equal to the gross income of the 13 business multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.
- **Sec. 605.** RCW 82.04.250 and 2008 c 81 s 5 are each amended to read 15 as follows:
  - (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail, except persons taxable as retailers under other provisions of this chapter, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent.
  - (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or 82.08.0263, except persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260( $(\frac{11}{11})$ ) (10) or subsection (3) of this section, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ( $(\frac{11}{11})$ ) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
  - (3) Upon every person classified by the federal aviation administration as a federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair station and that is engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or 82.08.0263, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.

**Sec. 606.** RCW 82.04.250 and 2007 c 54 s 5 are each amended to read 2 as follows:

- (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail, except persons taxable as retailers under other provisions of this chapter, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business (( $\frac{\text{shall be}}{\text{be}}$ )) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent.
- (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or 82.08.0263, except persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260(((11)))) (10), as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- **Sec. 607.** RCW 82.04.261 and 2007 c 54 s 7 and 2007 c 48 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
  - (1) In addition to the taxes imposed under RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(12)}{(12)}))$  (11), a surcharge is imposed on those persons who are subject to any of the taxes imposed under RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(12)}{(12)}))$  (11). Except as otherwise provided in this section, the surcharge is equal to 0.052 percent. The surcharge is added to the rates provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(12)}{(12)}))$  (11) (a), (b), (c), and (d). The surcharge and this section expire July 1, 2024.
  - (2) All receipts from the surcharge imposed under this section ((shall)) <u>must</u> be deposited into the forest and fish support account created in RCW 76.09.405.
  - (3)(a) The surcharge imposed under this section ((shall-be)) is suspended if:
  - (i) Receipts from the surcharge total at least eight million dollars during any fiscal biennium; or
    - (ii) The office of financial management certifies to the department that the federal government has appropriated at least two million dollars for participation in forest and fish report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington for any federal fiscal year.
- 36 (b)(i) The suspension of the surcharge under (a)(i) of this 37 subsection (3) ((shall)) takes effect on the first day of the calendar

month that is at least thirty days after the end of the month during which the department determines that receipts from the surcharge total at least eight million dollars during the fiscal biennium. surcharge ((shall-be)) is imposed again at the beginning of the following fiscal biennium.

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- (ii) The suspension of the surcharge under (a)(ii) of this subsection (3) ((shall)) takes effect on the later of the first day of October of any federal fiscal year for which the federal government appropriates at least two million dollars for participation in forest and fish report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington, or the first day of a calendar month that is at least thirty days following the date that the office of financial management makes a certification to the department under subsection (5) of this section. The surcharge ((shall be)) is imposed again on the first day of the following July.
  - (4)(a) If, by October 1st of any federal fiscal year, the office of financial management certifies to the department that the federal government has appropriated funds for participation in forest and fish report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington but the amount of the appropriation is less than two million dollars, the department ((shall)) must adjust the surcharge in accordance with this subsection.
  - (b) The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> adjust the surcharge by an amount that the department estimates will cause the amount of funds deposited into the forest and fish support account for the state fiscal year that begins July 1st and that includes the beginning of the federal fiscal year for which the federal appropriation is made, to be reduced by twice the amount of the federal appropriation for participation in forest and fish report-related activities by federally recognized Indian tribes located within the geographical boundaries of the state of Washington.
- (c) Any adjustment in the surcharge ((shall)) takes effect at the beginning of a calendar month that is at least thirty days after the date that the office of financial management makes the certification under subsection (5) of this section.

1 (d) The surcharge ((shall-be)) is imposed again at the rate 2 provided in subsection (1) of this section on the first day of the 3 following state fiscal year unless the surcharge is suspended under 4 subsection (3) of this section or adjusted for that fiscal year under 5 this subsection.

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- (e) Adjustments of the amount of the surcharge by the department are final and ((shall)) may not be used to challenge the validity of the surcharge imposed under this section.
- 9 (f) The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> provide timely notice to affected 10 taxpayers of the suspension of the surcharge or an adjustment of the 11 surcharge.
- 12 (5) The office of financial management ((shall)) <u>must</u> make the 13 certification to the department as to the status of federal 14 appropriations for tribal participation in forest and fish report-15 related activities.
- 16 **Sec. 608.** RCW 82.04.298 and 2008 c 49 s 1 are each amended to read 17 as follows:
  - (1) The amount of tax with respect to a qualified grocery distribution cooperative's sales of groceries or related goods for resale, excluding items subject to tax under ((RCW-82.04.260(4))) section 602 of this act, to customer-owners of the grocery distribution cooperative is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the grocery distribution cooperative multiplied by the rate of one and one-half percent.
  - (2) A qualified grocery distribution cooperative is allowed a deduction from the gross proceeds of sales of groceries or related goods for resale, excluding items subject to tax under ((RCW 82.04.260(4))) section 602 of this act, to customer-owners of the grocery distribution cooperative that is equal to the portion of the gross proceeds of sales for resale that represents the actual cost of the merchandise sold by the grocery distribution cooperative to customer-owners.
  - (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 35 (a) "Grocery distribution cooperative" means an entity that sells 36 groceries and related items to customer-owners of the grocery 37 distribution cooperative and has customer-owners, in the aggregate, who

- own a majority of the outstanding ownership interests of the grocery 1 2 distribution cooperative or of the entity controlling the grocery distribution cooperative. "Grocery distribution cooperative" includes 3 an entity that controls a grocery distribution cooperative. 4
  - (b) "Qualified grocery distribution cooperative" means:

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- (i) A grocery distribution cooperative that has been determined by a court of record of the state of Washington to be not engaged in wholesaling or making sales at wholesale, within the meaning of RCW 82.04.270 or any similar provision of a municipal ordinance that imposes a tax on gross receipts, gross proceeds of sales, or gross income, with respect to purchases made by customer-owners, and subsequently changes its form of doing business to make sales at wholesale of groceries or related items to its customer-owners; or
- A grocery distribution cooperative that has acquired substantially all of the assets of a grocery distribution cooperative described in (b)(i) of this subsection.
  - (c) "Customer-owner" means a person who has an ownership interest in a grocery distribution cooperative and purchases groceries and related items at wholesale from that grocery distribution cooperative.
- (d) "Controlling" means holding fifty percent or more of the voting interests of an entity and having at least equal power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the entity, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.
- Sec. 609. RCW 82.04.334 and 2007 c 48 s 3 are each amended to read 25 26 as follows:
- 27 This chapter does not apply to any sale of standing timber excluded from the definition of "sale" in RCW 82.45.010(3). The definitions in 28 RCW 82.04.260( $(\frac{12}{12})$ ) (11) apply to this section. 29
- Sec. 610. RCW 82.04.440 and 2006 c 300 s 8 and 2006 c 84 s 6 are 30 each reenacted and amended to read as follows: 31
- (1) Every person engaged in activities that are subject to tax 32 under two or more provisions of RCW 82.04.230 through 82.04.298, 33 34 inclusive, ((shall be)) is taxable under each provision applicable to 35 those activities.

- (2) Persons taxable under RCW 82.04.2909(2), 82.04.250, 82.04.270, 82.04.294(2), or 82.04.260(1)(b), (c), ((4),)) or (d), (10), or (11), or (((12))) section 602(2) of this act with respect to selling products in this state, including those persons who are also taxable under RCW 82.04.261, ((shall be)) are allowed a credit against those taxes for any (a) manufacturing taxes paid with respect to the manufacturing of products so sold in this state, and/or (b) extracting taxes paid with respect to the extracting of products so sold in this state or ingredients of products so sold in this state. Extracting taxes taken as credit under subsection (3) of this section may also be taken under this subsection, if otherwise allowable under this subsection. amount of the credit ((shall)) may not exceed the tax liability arising under this chapter with respect to the sale of those products.
  - (3) Persons taxable as manufacturers under RCW 82.04.240 or 82.04.260 (1)(b) or  $((\frac{12}{12}))$  (11), including those persons who are also taxable under RCW 82.04.261,  $(\frac{12}{12})$  are allowed a credit against those taxes for any extracting taxes paid with respect to extracting the ingredients of the products so manufactured in this state. The amount of the credit  $(\frac{12}{12})$  may not exceed the tax liability arising under this chapter with respect to the manufacturing of those products.
  - (4) Persons taxable under RCW 82.04.230, 82.04.240, 82.04.2909(1), 82.04.294(1), 82.04.2404, or 82.04.260 (1), (2), (((4+))) (10), or (11), or (((1+))) section 602(1) of this act, including those persons who are also taxable under RCW 82.04.261, with respect to extracting or manufacturing products in this state ((shall be)) are allowed a credit against those taxes for any (i) gross receipts taxes paid to another state with respect to the sales of the products so extracted or manufactured in this state, (ii) manufacturing taxes paid with respect to the manufacturing of products using ingredients so extracted in this state, or (iii) manufacturing taxes paid with respect to manufacturing activities completed in another state for products so manufactured in this state. The amount of the credit ((shall)) may not exceed the tax liability arising under this chapter with respect to the extraction or manufacturing of those products.
    - (5) For the purpose of this section:

- (a) "Gross receipts tax" means a tax:
- 37 (i) Which is imposed on or measured by the gross volume of

- business, in terms of gross receipts or in other terms, and in the determination of which the deductions allowed would not constitute the tax an income tax or value added tax; and
  - (ii) Which is also not, pursuant to law or custom, separately stated from the sales price.
  - (b) "State" means (i) the state of Washington, (ii) a state of the United States other than Washington, or any political subdivision of such other state, (iii) the District of Columbia, and (iv) any foreign country or political subdivision thereof.
- (c) "Manufacturing tax" means a gross receipts tax imposed on the 10 act or privilege of engaging in business as a manufacturer, and 11 includes (i) the taxes imposed in RCW 82.04.240, 82.04.2404, 12  $82.04.2909(1)\,,\quad 82.04.260\quad (1)\,,\quad (2)\,,\quad (({\color{red}(4)},{\color{gray}()}))\quad {\color{red}\underline{(10)}}\,,\quad {\color{gray}\underline{and}}\quad (11)\,,\quad (({\color{gray}(and)})),\quad {\color{gray}\underline{(10)}}\,,\quad {\color{gray}$ 13 (12))) section 602(1) of this act, and 82.04.294(1); (ii) the tax 14 imposed under RCW 82.04.261 on persons who are engaged in business as 15 16 a manufacturer; and (iii) similar gross receipts taxes paid to other 17 states.
- (d) "Extracting tax" means a gross receipts tax imposed on the act or privilege of engaging in business as an extractor, and includes (i) the tax imposed on extractors in RCW 82.04.230 and 82.04.260((\(\frac{(12)}{12}\))) (\(\frac{(11)}{1}\); (ii) the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.261 on persons who are engaged in business as an extractor; and (iii) similar gross receipts taxes paid to other states.
- (e) "Business", "manufacturer", "extractor", and other terms used in this section have the meanings given in RCW 82.04.020 through 82.04.212, notwithstanding the use of those terms in the context of describing taxes imposed by other states.
- 28 **Sec. 611.** RCW 82.04.4463 and 2008 c 81 s 8 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- 30 (1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is 31 allowed for property taxes and leasehold excise taxes paid during the 32 calendar year.
  - (2) The credit is equal to:

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(a)(i)(A) Property taxes paid on buildings, and land upon which the buildings are located, constructed after December 1, 2003, and used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and

- (B) Leasehold excise taxes paid with respect to buildings constructed after January 1, 2006, the land upon which the buildings are located, or both, if the buildings are used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and
  - (C) Property taxes or leasehold excise taxes paid on, or with respect to, buildings constructed after June 30, 2008, the land upon which the buildings are located, or both, and used exclusively for aerospace product development or in providing aerospace services, by persons not within the scope of (a)(i)(A) and (B) of this subsection (2) and are: (I) Engaged in manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or their components; or (II) taxable under RCW 82.04.290(3) or 82.04.250(3); or
  - (ii) Property taxes attributable to an increase in assessed value due to the renovation or expansion, after: (A) December 1, 2003, of a building used exclusively in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of such airplanes; and (B) June 30, 2008, of buildings used exclusively for aerospace product development or in providing aerospace services, by persons not within the scope of (a)(ii)(A) of this subsection (2) and are: (I) Engaged in manufacturing tooling specifically designed for use in manufacturing commercial airplanes or their components; or (II) taxable under RCW 82.04.290(3) 82.04.250(3); and
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- 24 Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under 25 82.04.260((\(\frac{(11)}{11}\))) (10)(a), on machinery and equipment exempt under RCW 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after December 1, 2003; 26
  - (B) Property taxes paid, by persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260((\frac{(11)}{11})) (10)(b), on machinery and equipment exempt under RCW 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 and acquired after June 30, 2008; or
- 30 Property taxes paid, by persons taxable RCW 31 ((82.04.0250(3) - [82.04.250(3)])) 82.04.250(3) or 82.04.290(3), 32 computer hardware, computer peripherals, and software exempt under RCW 82.08.975 or 82.12.975 and acquired after June 30, 2008. 33
- (ii) For purposes of determining the amount eligible for credit 34 under (i)(A) and (B) of this subsection (2)(b), the amount of property 35 taxes paid is multiplied by a fraction. 36
- 37 (((I))) (A) The numerator of the fraction is the total taxable 38 amount subject to the tax imposed under RCW 82.04.260(((11)))) (10)

- or (b) on the applicable business activities of manufacturing 1 2 commercial airplanes, components of such airplanes, or tooling specifically designed for use in the manufacturing of commercial 3 airplanes or components of such airplanes. 4
- (((II))) (B) The denominator of the fraction is the total taxable 5 subject to the tax imposed under all manufacturing 6 amount 7 classifications in chapter 82.04 RCW.

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- ((<del>(III)</del>)) (C) For purposes of both the numerator and denominator of the fraction, the total taxable amount refers to the total taxable amount required to be reported on the person's returns for the calendar year before the calendar year in which the credit under this section is earned. The department may provide for an alternative method for calculating the numerator in cases where the tax rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{11}{11}))$  (10) for manufacturing was not in effect during the full calendar year before the calendar year in which the credit under this section is earned.
- 17 ((<del>(IV)</del>)) (D) No credit is available under (b)(i)(A) or (B) of this subsection (2) if either the numerator or the denominator of the 18 fraction is zero. If the fraction is greater than or equal to nine-19 tenths, then the fraction is rounded to one. 20
- 21 (((V))) (E) As used in (((III))) (b)(ii)(C) of this subsection 22 (2)(((b)(ii)(C))), "returns" means the tax returns for which the tax imposed under this chapter is reported to the department. 23
- 24 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 25 section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.
- "Aerospace product development" has the same meaning as 26 27 provided in RCW 82.04.4461.
- (b) "Aerospace services" has the same meaning given in RCW 28 82.08.975. 29
- (c) "Commercial airplane" and "component" have the same meanings as 30 31 provided in RCW 82.32.550.
- 32 (4) A credit earned during one calendar year may be carried over to be credited against taxes incurred in a subsequent calendar year, but 33 may not be carried over a second year. No refunds may be granted for 34 credits under this section. 35
- (5) In addition to all other requirements under this title, a 36 37 person taking the credit under this section must report as required under RCW 82.32.545. 38

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- Sec. 612. RCW 82.08.806 and 2009 c 461 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales, to a printer or publisher, of computer equipment, including repair parts and replacement parts for such equipment, when the computer equipment is used primarily in the printing or publishing of any printed material, or to sales of or charges made for labor and services rendered in respect to installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving the computer equipment. This exemption applies only to computer equipment not otherwise exempt under RCW 82.08.02565.
- (2) A person taking the exemption under this section must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility under this section. This exemption is available only when the purchaser provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The seller ((shall)) must retain a copy of the certificate for the seller's files.
- (3) The definitions in this subsection (3) apply throughout this section, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
  - (a) "Computer" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.215.
- (b) "Computer equipment" means a computer and the associated physical components that constitute a computer system, including monitors, keyboards, printers, modems, scanners, pointing devices, and other computer peripheral equipment, cables, servers, and routers. "Computer equipment" also includes digital cameras and computer software.
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- (c) "Computer software" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.215.
- 28 (d) "Primarily" means greater than fifty percent as measured by 29 time.
- 30 (e) "Printer or publisher" means a person, as defined in RCW 82.04.030, who is subject to tax under RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{14}{14}))$  (13) or 82.04.280(1).
- 33 (4) "Computer equipment" does not include computer equipment that 34 is used primarily for administrative purposes including but not limited 35 to payroll processing, accounting, customer service, telemarketing, and 36 collection. If computer equipment is used simultaneously for 37 administrative and nonadministrative purposes, the administrative use

- 1 ((shall)) <u>must</u> be disregarded during the period of simultaneous use for 2 purposes of determining whether the computer equipment is used
- 3 primarily for administrative purposes.

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- 4 **Sec. 613.** RCW 82.32.545 and 2008 c 81 s 10 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.
- (2)(a) A person who reports taxes under RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(11)}{)}))$  (10), 10 11 82.04.250(3), or 82.04.290(3), or who claims an exemption or credit 12 under RCW 82.04.4461, 82.08.980, 82.12.980, 82.29A.137, 84.36.655, and 82.04.4463 ((shall)) must make an annual report to the department 13 detailing employment, wages, and employer-provided health and 14 retirement benefits for employment positions in Washington. However, 15 16 persons engaged in manufacturing commercial airplanes or components of 17 such airplanes may report employment, wage, and benefit information per job at the manufacturing site. The report ((shall)) may not include 18 names of employees. The report ((shall)) must also detail employment 19 20 by the total number of full-time, part-time, and temporary positions. 21 The first report filed under this subsection ((shall)) must include employment, wage, and benefit information for the twelve-month period 22 23 immediately before first use of a preferential tax rate under RCW 24  $82.04.260((\frac{11}{11}))$  (10), 82.04.250(3), or 82.04.290(3), or tax exemption or credit under RCW 82.04.4461, 82.08.980, 82.12.980, 82.29A.137, 25 26 84.36.655, and 82.04.4463, unless a survey covering this twelve-month period was filed as required by a statute repealed by chapter 81, Laws 27 of 2008. The report is due by March 31st following any year in which 28 a preferential tax rate under RCW 82.04.260(((11)))) (10), 82.04.250(3), 29 30 or 82.04.290(3), is used, or tax exemption or credit under RCW 31 82.04.4461, 82.08.980, 82.12.980, 82.29A.137, 84.36.655, and 82.04.4463 is taken. This information is not subject to the confidentiality 32 33 provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon 34 request.
  - (b) If a person fails to submit an annual report under (a) of this subsection by the due date of the report, the department ((shall)) must declare the amount of taxes exempted or credited, or reduced in the

case of the preferential business and occupation tax rate, for that year to be immediately due and payable. Excise taxes payable under this subsection are subject to interest but not penalties, as provided under this chapter. This information is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

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- (3) By November 1, 2010, and by November 1, 2023, the fiscal 7 committees of the house of representatives and the senate, 8 consultation with the department, ((shall)) must report to the 9 legislature on the effectiveness of chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. 10 sess., chapter 177, Laws of 2006, and chapter 81, Laws of 2008 in 11 12 regard to keeping Washington competitive. The report ((shall)) must 13 measure the effect of these laws on job retention, net jobs created for 14 Washington residents, company growth, diversification of the state's economy, cluster dynamics, and other factors as the committees select. 15 The reports ((shall)) <u>must</u> include a discussion of principles to apply 16 17 in evaluating whether the legislature should reenact any or all of the tax preferences in chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. sess., chapter 177, 18 Laws of 2006, and chapter 81, Laws of 2008. 19
- 20 **Sec. 614.** RCW 82.32.550 and 2008 c 81 s 12 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
  - (1)(((a) Chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. sess. takes effect on the first-day-of-the-month-in-which-the-governor-and-a-manufacturer-of commercial-airplanes-sign-a-memorandum-of-agreement-regarding-an affirmative final-decision to site a significant commercial airplane final-assembly-facility-in-Washington-state. The-department-shall provide notice of the effective date of chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. sess.—to-affected-taxpayers,—the-legislature,—and-others—as-deemed appropriate by the department.
  - (b) Chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. sess. is contingent upon the siting of a significant commercial airplane final assembly facility in the state of Washington. If a memorandum of agreement under subsection (1) of this section is not signed by June 30, 2005, chapter 1, Laws of 2003 2nd sp. sess. is null and void.
- 35 (c)(i) The rate in RCW 82.04.260(11)(a)(ii) takes effect July 1, 36 2007.

(ii) If on December 31, 2007, final assembly of a superefficient airplane-has-not-begun-in-Washington-state, the department-shall provide-notice-of-such-to-affected-taxpayers, the legislature, and others as deemed appropriate by the department.

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- (2)-The-definitions-in-this-subsection-apply-throughout-this section.
- (a))) "Commercial airplane" has its ordinary meaning, which is an airplane certified by the federal aviation administration for transporting persons or property, and any military derivative of such an airplane.
- $((\frac{b}{b}))$  (2) "Component" means a part or system certified by the federal aviation administration for installation or assembly into a commercial airplane.
  - (((c)-"Final-assembly-of-a-superefficient-airplane"-means-the activity of assembling an airplane from components parts necessary for its mechanical operation such that the finished commercial airplane is ready to deliver to the ultimate consumer.
  - (d) "Significant commercial airplane final assembly facility" means a location with the capacity to produce at least thirty—six superefficient airplanes a year.
- 21 (e) "Siting" means a final decision by a manufacturer to locate a 22 significant commercial airplane final assembly facility in Washington 23 state.
  - (f))) (3) "Superefficient airplane" means a twin aisle airplane that carries between two hundred and three hundred fifty passengers, with a range of more than seven thousand two hundred nautical miles, a cruising speed of approximately mach .85, and that uses fifteen to twenty percent less fuel than other similar airplanes on the market.
- 29 **Sec. 615.** RCW 82.32.630 and 2007 c 48 s 6 are each amended to read 30 as follows:
- 31 (1) The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are 32 important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy 33 choices regarding the best use of limited state resources, the 34 legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.
- (2)(a) A person who reports taxes under RCW 82.04.260((<del>(12) shall</del>))

  (11) must file a complete annual survey with the department. The

  survey is due by March 31st following any year in which a person

- reports taxes under RCW 82.04.260(((12))) (11). The department may extend the due date for timely filing of annual surveys under this section as provided in RCW 82.32.590. The survey ((shall)) must include the amount of tax reduced under the preferential rate in RCW 82.04.260(((12))) (11). The survey ((shall)) must also include the following information for employment positions in Washington:
  - (i) The number of total employment positions;

- 8 (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 9 percent of total employment;
  - (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three individuals may be combined with another wage band; and
  - (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.
    - (b) The first survey filed under this subsection (( $\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}$ )) must include employment, wage, and benefit information for the twelve-month period immediately before first use of a preferential tax rate under RCW 82.04.260(( $\frac{\text{chall}}{\text{chall}}$ )) (11).
    - (c) As part of the annual survey, the department may request additional information, including the amount of investment in equipment used in the activities taxable under the preferential rate in RCW 82.04.260(((12))) (11), necessary to measure the results of, or determine eligibility for, the preferential tax rate in RCW 82.04.260(((12))) (11).
  - (d) All information collected under this section, except the amount of the tax reduced under the preferential rate in RCW 82.04.260(((12))) (11), is deemed taxpayer information under RCW 82.32.330. Information on the amount of tax reduced is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request, except as provided in (e) of this subsection. If the amount of the tax reduced as reported on the survey is different than the amount actually reduced based on the taxpayer's excise tax returns or otherwise allowed by the department, the amount actually reduced may be disclosed.
    - (e) Persons for whom the actual amount of the tax reduction is less

than ten thousand dollars during the period covered by the survey may request the department to treat the amount of the tax reduction as confidential under RCW 82.32.330.

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- (f) Small harvesters as defined in RCW 84.33.035 are not required to file the annual survey under this section.
- (3) If a person fails to submit a complete annual survey under 6 7 subsection (2) of this section by the due date or any extension under RCW 82.32.590, the department ((shall)) must declare the amount of 8 taxes reduced under the preferential rate in RCW 82.04.260((\(\frac{(12)}{12}\))) (11) 9 for the period covered by the survey to be immediately due and payable. 10 The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> assess interest, but not penalties, on 11 the taxes. Interest ((shall)) must be assessed at the rate provided 12 for delinquent excise taxes under this chapter, retroactively to the 13 14 date the reduced taxes were due, and ((shall)) will accrue until the amount of the reduced taxes is repaid. 15
  - (4) The department ((shall)) must use the information from the annual survey required under subsection (2) of this section to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> report these statistics to the legislature each year by September The requirement to prepare and report summary descriptive statistics ((shall)) ceases after September 1, 2025.
  - (5) By November 1, 2011, and November 1, 2023, the fiscal committees of the house of representatives and the senate, consultation with the department, ((shall)) must report to the legislature on the effectiveness of the preferential tax rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{12}{12}))$  (11). The report shall measure the effect of the preferential tax rate provided in RCW 82.04.260(((12)))) (11) on job retention, net jobs created for Washington residents, company growth, and other factors as the committees select. The report ((shall)) must include a discussion of principles to apply in evaluating whether the legislature should continue the preferential tax rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{12}{12}))(11).$
- **Sec. 616.** RCW 82.32.632 and 2009 c 461 s 6 are each amended to 33 34 read as follows:
- (1)(a) Every person claiming the preferential rate provided in RCW 35 36  $82.04.260((\frac{(14)}{(14)}))$  (13) must file a complete annual report with the 37 department. The report is due by March 31st of the year following any

calendar year in which a person is eligible to claim the preferential rate provided in RCW 82.04.260(((14))) (13). The department may extend the due date for timely filing of annual reports under this section as provided in RCW 82.32.590.

- (b) The report must include information detailing employment, wages, and employer-provided health and retirement benefits for employment positions in Washington for the year that the preferential rate was claimed. The report must not include names of employees. The report must also detail employment by the total number of full-time, part-time, and temporary positions for the year that the tax preference was claimed.
- (c) If a person filing a report under this section did not file a report with the department in the previous calendar year, the report filed under this section must also include employment, wage, and benefit information for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year for which the preferential rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(14)}{(14)}))$  (13) was claimed.
- (2) As part of the annual report, the department may request additional information necessary to measure the results of, or determine eligibility for, the preferential rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{14}{14}))$  (13).
- (3) Other than information requested under subsection (2) of this section, the information contained in an annual report filed under this section is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided by law, if a person claims the preferential rate provided in RCW 82.04.260(((14))) (13) but fails to submit a report by the due date or any extension under RCW 82.32.590, the department must declare the amount of the tax preference claimed for the previous calendar year to be immediately due and payable. The department must assess interest, but not penalties, on the amounts due under this subsection. The interest must be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent taxes under this chapter, retroactively to the date the tax preference was claimed, and accrues until the taxes for which the tax preference was claimed are repaid. Amounts due under this subsection are not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

- (5) By November 1, 2014, and November 1, 2016, the fiscal 1 2 committees of the house of representatives and the senate, consultation with the department, must report to the legislature on the 3 preferential 4 effectiveness of the rate provided RCW 5 82.04.260((+14))) (13). The report must measure the effect of the preferential rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{14}{14}))$  on job 6 7 retention, net jobs created for Washington residents, industry growth, and other factors as the committees select. The report must include a 8 9 discussion of principles to apply in evaluating whether the legislature 10 should continue the preferential rate provided in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(14)}{14}))$ (13).11
- 12 **Sec. 617.** RCW 82.45.195 and 2007 c 48 s 7 are each amended to read 13 as follows:
- 14 A sale of standing timber is exempt from tax under this chapter if 15 the gross income from such sale is taxable under RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{(12)}{12}))$ 16 (11)(d).
- 17 **Sec. 618.** RCW 35.102.150 and 2009 c 461 s 4 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

Notwithstanding RCW 35.102.130, a city that imposes a business and 19 20 occupation tax must allocate a person's gross income from the activities of printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, or 21 22 magazines, to the principal place in this state from which the 23 taxpayer's business is directed or managed. As used in this section, the activities of printing, and of publishing newspapers, periodicals, 24 25 or magazines are those activities to which the tax rates in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{14}{14})))$  (13) and 82.04.280(1) apply. 26

- 27 **Sec. 619.** RCW 48.14.080 and 2009 c 535 s 1102 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- 29 (1) As to insurers, other than title insurers and taxpayers under 30 RCW 48.14.0201, the taxes imposed by this title ((shall be)) are in 31 lieu of all other taxes, except as otherwise provided in this section.
  - (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply with respect to:
- 33 (a) Taxes on real and tangible personal property;

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34 (b) Excise taxes on the sale, purchase, use, or possession of (i) 35 real property; (ii) tangible personal property; (iii) extended

- warranties; (iv) services, including digital automated services as defined in RCW 82.04.192; and (v) digital goods and digital codes as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.192; and
  - (c) The tax imposed in RCW  $82.04.260((\frac{10}{10}))$  (9), regarding public and nonprofit hospitals.
  - (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "taxes" includes taxes imposed by the state or any county, city, town, municipal corporation, quasi-municipal corporation, or other political subdivision.

10 PART VII

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## Suspending the Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Livestock Nutrient Equipment and Facilities

- 13 **Sec. 701.** RCW 82.08.890 and 2009 c 469 s 601 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- 15 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales to eligible persons of:
  - (a) Qualifying livestock nutrient management equipment;
- 18 (b) Labor and services rendered in respect to installing, 19 repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving qualifying livestock 20 nutrient management equipment; and
  - (c)(i) Labor and services rendered in respect to repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving of qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities, or to tangible personal property that becomes an ingredient or component of qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities in the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving of such facilities.
  - (ii) The exemption provided in this subsection (1)(c) does not apply to the sale of or charge made for: (A) Labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing of new, or replacing previously existing, qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities; or (B) tangible personal property that becomes an ingredient or component of qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities during the course of constructing new, or replacing previously existing, qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities.
- 35 (2) The exemption provided in subsection (1) of this section 36 applies to sales made after the livestock nutrient management plan is:

(a) Certified under chapter 90.64 RCW; (b) approved as part of the permit issued under chapter 90.48 RCW; or (c) approved as required under subsection (4)(c)(iii) of this section.

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- (3)(a) The department of revenue must provide an exemption certificate to an eligible person upon application by that person. The department of agriculture must provide a list of eligible persons, as defined in subsection (4)(c)(i) and (ii) of this section, to the department of revenue. Conservation districts must maintain lists of eligible persons as defined in subsection (4)(c)(iii) of this section to allow the department of revenue to verify eligibility. The application must be in a form and manner prescribed by the department and must contain information regarding the location of the dairy or animal feeding operation and other information the department may require.
  - (b) A person claiming an exemption under this section must keep records necessary for the department to verify eligibility under this section. The exemption is available only when the buyer provides the seller with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for the seller's files.
- (4) The definitions in this subsection apply to this section and RCW 82.12.890 unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
  - (a) "Animal feeding operation" means a lot or facility, other than an aquatic animal production facility, where the following conditions are met:
  - (i) Animals, other than aquatic animals, have been, are, or will be stabled or confined and fed or maintained for a total of forty-five days or more in any twelve-month period; and
  - (ii) Crops, vegetation, forage growth, or postharvest residues are not sustained in the normal growing season over any portion of the lot or facility.
  - (b) "Conservation district" means a subdivision of state government organized under chapter 89.08 RCW.
  - (c) "Eligible person" means a person: (i) Licensed to produce milk under chapter 15.36 RCW who has a certified dairy nutrient management plan, as required by chapter 90.64 RCW; (ii) who owns an animal feeding operation and has a permit issued under chapter 90.48 RCW; or (iii) who owns an animal feeding operation and has a nutrient management plan

approved by a conservation district as meeting natural resource conservation service field office technical guide standards and who possesses an exemption certificate under RCW 82.08.855.

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- (d) "Handling and treatment of livestock manure" means the activities of collecting, storing, moving, or transporting livestock manure, separating livestock manure solids from liquids, or applying livestock manure to the agricultural lands of an eligible person other than through the use of pivot or linear type traveling irrigation systems.
- 10 (e) "Permit" means either a state waste discharge permit or a 11 national pollutant discharge elimination system permit, or both.
- 12 (f) "Qualifying livestock nutrient management equipment" means the 13 following tangible personal property for exclusive use in the handling and treatment of livestock manure, including repair and replacement 14 parts for such equipment: (i) Aerators; (ii) agitators; (iii) augers; 15 (iv) conveyers; (v) gutter cleaners; (vi) hard-hose reel traveler 16 17 irrigation systems; (vii) lagoon and pond liners and floating covers; (viii) loaders; (ix) manure composting devices; (x) manure spreaders; 18 (xi) manure tank wagons; (xii) manure vacuum tanks; (xiii) poultry 19 house cleaners; (xiv) poultry house flame sterilizers; (xv) poultry 20 house washers; (xvi) poultry litter saver machines; (xvii) pipes; 21 22 (xviii) pumps; (xix) scrapers; (xx) separators; (xxi) slurry injectors and hoses; and (xxii) wheelbarrows, shovels, and pitchforks. 23
  - (g) "Qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities" means the following structures and facilities for exclusive use in the handling and treatment of livestock manure: (i) Flush systems; (ii) lagoons; (iii) liquid livestock manure storage structures, such as concrete tanks or glass-lined steel tanks; and (iv) structures used solely for the dry storage of manure, including roofed stacking facilities.
- 30 (5) The exemption under this section does not apply to sales made 31 from April 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013.
- 32 **Sec. 702.** RCW 82.12.890 and 2009 c 469 s 602 are each amended to 33 read as follows:
- 34 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the 35 use by an eligible person of:
  - (a) Qualifying livestock nutrient management equipment;

- 1 (b) Labor and services rendered in respect to installing, 2 repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving qualifying livestock 3 nutrient management equipment; and
  - (c)(i) Tangible personal property that becomes an ingredient or component of qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities in the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving of such facilities.
  - (ii) The exemption provided in this subsection (1)(c) does not apply to the use of tangible personal property that becomes an ingredient or component of qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities during the course of constructing new, or replacing previously existing, qualifying livestock nutrient management facilities.
- 14 (2)(a) To be eligible, the equipment and facilities must be used 15 exclusively for activities necessary to maintain a livestock nutrient 16 management plan.
  - (b) The exemption applies to the use of tangible personal property and labor and services made after the livestock nutrient management plan is: (i) Certified under chapter 90.64 RCW; (ii) approved as part of the permit issued under chapter 90.48 RCW; or (iii) approved as required under RCW 82.08.890(4)(c)(iii).
- 22 (3) The exemption certificate and recordkeeping requirements of RCW 82.08.890 apply to this section. The definitions in RCW 82.08.890 apply to this section.
- 25 (4) The exemption under this section does not apply to the use of tangible personal property and services if first use of the property or services occurs in this state from April 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013.

29 PART VIII

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## 30 Ending the Preferential Business and Occupation Tax Treatment Received 31 by Directors of Corporations

NEW SECTION. Sec. 801. (1) In adopting the state's business and occupation tax, the legislature intended to tax virtually all business activities carried on within the state. See Simpson Inv. Co. v. Dep't of Revenue, 141 Wn.2d 139, 149 (2000). The legislature recognizes that the business and occupation tax applies to all activities engaged in

with the object of gain, benefit, or advantage to the taxpayer or to another person or class, directly or indirectly, unless a specific exemption applies.

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- (2) One of the major business and occupation tax exemptions is provided in RCW 82.04.360 for income earned as an employee or servant as distinguished from income earned as an independent contractor. The legislature's intent in providing this exemption was to exempt employee wages from the business and occupation tax but not to exempt income earned as an independent contractor.
- (3) The legislature finds that corporate directors are not employees or servants of the corporation whose board they serve on and therefore are not entitled to a business and occupation tax exemption under RCW 82.04.360. The legislature further finds that there are no business and occupation tax exemptions for compensation received for serving as a member of a corporation's board of directors.
- The legislature also finds that there is a widespread misunderstanding among corporate directors that the business and occupation tax does not apply to the compensation they receive for serving as a director of a corporation. It is the legislature's expectation that the department of revenue will take appropriate measures to ensure that corporate directors understand and comply with their business and occupation tax obligations with respect to their However, because compensation. of the misunderstanding by corporate directors of their liability for business and occupation tax on director compensation, the legislature finds that it is appropriate in this unique situation to provide limited relief against the retroactive assessment of business and occupation taxes on corporate director compensation.
- (5) The legislature also reaffirms its intent that all income of all independent contractors is subject to business and occupation tax unless specifically exempt under the Constitution or laws of this state or the United States.
- Sec. 802. RCW 82.04.360 and 1991 c 324 s 19 and 1991 c 275 s 2 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) This chapter ((shall)) does not apply to any person in respect to his or her employment in the capacity of an employee or servant as distinguished from that of an independent contractor. For the purposes

- of this section, the definition of employee ((shall)) includes those persons that are defined in section 3121(d)(3)(B) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended through January 1, 1991.
- (2) ((A-booth-renter, -as-defined-by-RCW-18.16.020, -is-an independent contractor for purposes of this chapter.)) Until April 1, 2010, this chapter does not apply to amounts received by an individual from a corporation as compensation for serving as a member of that corporation's board of directors. Beginning April 1, 2010, such amounts are tayable under RCW 82 04 290(2)
- 9 <u>amounts are taxable under RCW 82.04.290(2).</u>
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 803. The sole reason for deleting the language in RCW 82.04.360(2) is because RCW 18.16.020 no longer defines the term booth renter. This should not be construed as a substantive change in the law.
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- 15 Airplane Excise Tax
- 16 **Sec. 901.** RCW 82.48.010 and 1995 c 318 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:
- For the purposes of this chapter, unless otherwise required by the context:
- 20 (1) "Department" means the department of licensing.
- 21 (2) "Aircraft" means any weight-carrying device or structure for 22 navigation of the air which is designed to be supported by the air;
  - ((<del>(2) "Secretary" means the secretary of transportation;</del>))
- 24 (3) "Person" includes a firm, partnership, limited liability 25 company, or corporation(( $\div$ 
  - (4) "Small multi-engine fixed wing" means any piston-driven multiengine fixed wing aircraft with a maximum gross weight as listed by the manufacturer of less than seventy five hundred pounds; and
- 29 (5) "Large multi-engine fixed wing" means any piston-driven multi-30 engine fixed wing aircraft with a maximum gross weight as listed by the 31 manufacturer of seventy-five hundred pounds or more)).
- 32 **Sec. 902.** RCW 82.48.020 and 2000 c 229 s 4 are each amended to 33 read as follows:
- 34 (1) An annual excise tax is hereby imposed for the privilege of

using any aircraft in the state. A current certificate of air worthiness with a current inspection date from the appropriate federal agency and/or the purchase of aviation fuel ((shall)) constitutes the necessary evidence of aircraft use or intended use. ((The tax shall)) The amount of the tax is five-tenths of one percent of the taxable value of the aircraft, as determined under section 903 of this act.

(2) The tax imposed under subsection (1) of this section on aircraft with a date of manufacture before December 31, 1970, may not exceed the following:

10	Type of aircraft	<u>Tax</u>
11	Single engine fixed wing	<u>\$100</u>
12	Small multiengine fixed wing	<u>130</u>
13	Large multiengine fixed wing	<u>160</u>
14	Turboprop multiengine fixed wing	<u>200</u>
15	Turbojet multiengine fixed wing	<u>250</u>
16	<u>Helicopter</u>	<u>150</u>
17	Sailplane	<u>40</u>
18	Lighter than air	<u>40</u>
19	Home built	<u>40</u>

(3) The tax imposed under this section must be collected annually or under a staggered collection schedule as required by the ((secretary)) department by rule. ((No additional tax shall be imposed under this chapter upon any aircraft upon the transfer of ownership thereof, if the tax imposed by this chapter with respect to such aircraft has already been paid for the year in which transfer of ownership occurs. A violation of this subsection is a misdemeanor punishable as provided under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

(2))) (4) Persons who are required to register aircraft under chapter 47.68 RCW and who register aircraft in another state or foreign country and avoid the ((Washington)) aircraft excise tax imposed under this section are liable for ((such)) the unpaid excise tax. A violation of this subsection is a gross misdemeanor.

(5) The department of revenue may, under chapter 82.32 RCW, assess and collect the unpaid excise tax <u>imposed</u> under ((<del>chapter 82.32 RCW</del>))

- this section, including the penalties and interest provided in chapter 82.32 RCW.
- (((3))) (6) Except as provided under subsection((s (1) and (2)))4 (4) of this section, a violation of this chapter is a misdemeanor
- 5 punishable as provided in chapter 9A.20 RCW.

- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 903.** A new section is added to chapter 82.48 7 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, taxable value is based on the most recent purchase price of the aircraft, depreciated according to the year of the most recent purchase of the aircraft. For purposes of this subsection, "purchase price" means the consideration, whether money, credit, rights, or other property expressed in terms of money paid or given or contracted to be paid or given by the purchaser to the seller for the aircraft.
  - (b) For aircraft for which the most recent purchase price was not indicative of the fair market value of the aircraft at the time of purchase, the department may appraise the aircraft. If the department appraises the aircraft, the taxable value is based on the department's appraisal of fair market value of the aircraft at the time of the most recent purchase, depreciated according to the year of the most recent purchase of the aircraft.
  - (c) For aircraft acquired other than by purchase, including aircraft manufactured, constructed, or assembled by the owner, the department must appraise the aircraft before registration. In such cases, the taxable value is the fair market value at the time of the department's appraisal. For subsequent years, taxable value is based on the department's appraisal of fair market value of the aircraft, depreciated according to the year that the owner acquired the aircraft or, in the case of aircraft manufactured, constructed, or assembled by the owner, the year that the aircraft became operational.
    - (2)(a) An appraisal conducted by the department:
    - (i) Need not include a physical inspection of the aircraft; and
- (ii) May be based on any guidebook, report, or compendium of recognized standing in the aviation industry and information provided to the department by the owner of the aircraft.
  - (b) Any aircraft owner disputing the department's appraised value

under this section may petition for a conference with the department as provided under RCW 82.32.160 or for reduction of the tax due as provided under RCW 82.32.170.

- (3)(a) The department must prepare a depreciation schedule for use in the determination of the taxable value for the purposes of this chapter. The schedule must be based upon information available to the department pertaining to the current fair market value of aircraft.
- (b) The department must recommend a depreciation schedule to the fiscal committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 31, 2010, for enactment in law during the 2011 legislative session for use in the determination of taxable value for taxes due under this chapter during calendar year 2012 and subsequent calendar years.
- (4) The department may adopt any rules necessary to implement this section, including any rules necessary to provide a reasonable method or methods to determine the fair market value of an aircraft.
- 17 (5) For purposes of this section, "department" means the department 18 of revenue.
- **Sec. 904.** RCW 82.48.030 and 1983 2nd ex.s. c 3 s 22 are each 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 (1) ((The-amount-of-the-tax-imposed-by-this-chapter-for-each 22 calendar year shall be as follows:

24	Type of aircraft	Registration fee
25	Single engine fixed wing	<b>\$</b> 50
26	Small multi-engine fixed wing	<del>65</del>
27	Large multi-engine fixed wing	80
28	Turboprop multi-engine fixed wing	<del>100</del>
29	Turbojet multi-engine fixed wing	<del>125</del>
30	Helicopter	<del>75</del>
31	Sailplane	<del>20</del>
32	Lighter than air	<del>20</del>
33	Home built	<del>20</del>

(2))) The amount of tax imposed under ((subsection-(1)-of-this

section)) RCW\_82.48.020 for each calendar year ((shall)) must be

- 1 divided into twelve parts corresponding to the months of the calendar
- 2 year, and the excise tax upon an aircraft registered for the first time
- 3 in this state after the last day of any month ((shall)) <u>is</u> only ((be))
- 4 levied for the remaining months of the calendar year including the
- 5 month in which the aircraft is being registered(( $\div$  PROVIDED, That)).
- 6 However, the minimum amount payable ((shall be)) is three dollars.
- 7 (2) For the purposes of this chapter, an aircraft ((shall be)) is
- 8 deemed registered for the first time in this state when such aircraft
- 9 was not ((previously)) required to be registered by this state for the
- 10 year immediately preceding the year in which application for
- 11 registration is made <u>and was not so registered</u>.
- 12 Sec. 905. RCW 82.48.070 and 1987 c 220 s 7 are each amended to
- 13 read as follows:
- 14 The ((secretary-shall)) department must give a receipt to each
- person paying ((the)) excise tax <u>under this chapter</u>.
- 16 Sec. 906. RCW 82.48.080 and 1995 c 170 s 2 are each amended to
- 17 read as follows:
- The ((secretary shall)) department must regularly pay to the state
- 19 treasurer the excise taxes collected under this chapter((, which shall
- 20 be credited by the state treasurer as follows: Ninety percent to the
- 21 general-fund-and-ten-percent-to-the-aeronautics-account-in-the
- 22 transportation fund for administrative expenses)) for deposit into the
- 23 general fund.
- 24 Sec. 907. RCW 82.48.110 and 1967 ex.s. c 9 s 6 are each amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- 26 ((The first tax to be collected under this chapter shall be for the
- 27 calendar year 1968.)) (1) No aircraft with respect to which the excise
- 28 tax imposed by this chapter is payable ((shall)) may be listed and
- 29 assessed for ad valorem taxation so long as this chapter remains in
- 31 authority-of-section-13,-chapter-49,-Laws-of-1949-and-section
- 32 82.48.110, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 is hereby directed to be canceled:
- 33 PROVIDED, That)).
- 34 (2) Any aircraft, whether or not subject to the provisions of this
- 35 chapter, with respect to which the excise tax imposed by this chapter

will not be paid or has not been paid for any year ((shall)) must be listed and assessed for ad valorem taxation in that year, and the ad valorem tax liability resulting from such listing and assessment ((shall)) <u>must</u> be collected in the same manner as though this chapter had not been passed((: PROVIDED FURTHER, That this chapter shall not be-construed-to-affect-any-ad-valorem-tax-based-upon-assessedvaluations made in 1948 and/or any preceding year for taxes payable in 1949 or any preceding year, which ad valorem tax liability tax for any such years shall remain payable and collectible in the same manner as though this chapter had not been passed)). 

**Sec. 908.** RCW 47.68.230 and 2005 c 341 s 1 are each amended to 12 read as follows:

(1) It ((shall be)) is unlawful for any person to operate or cause or authorize to be operated any civil aircraft within this state unless such aircraft has an appropriate effective certificate, permit, or license issued by the United States, if such certificate, permit, or license is required by the United States, and a current registration certificate issued by the ((secretary of transportation)) department of licensing, if registration of the aircraft with the department of ((transportation)) licensing is required by this chapter. It ((shall be)) is unlawful for any person to engage in aeronautics as an airman or airwoman in the state unless the person has an appropriate effective airman or airwoman certificate, permit, rating, or license issued by the United States authorizing him or her to engage in the particular class of aeronautics in which he or she is engaged, if such certificate, permit, rating, or license is required by the United States.

(2) Where a certificate, permit, rating, or license is required for an airman or airwoman by the United States, it ((shall)) must be kept in his or her personal possession when he or she is operating within the state. Where a certificate, permit, or license is required by the United States or by this chapter for an aircraft, it ((shall)) must be carried in the aircraft at all times while the aircraft is operating in the state and ((shall)) must be conspicuously posted in the aircraft where it may be readily seen by passengers or inspectors. Such certificates ((shall)) must be presented for inspection upon the demand of any peace officer, or any other officer of the state or of a

- 1 municipality or member, official, or employee of the department of
- 2 transportation authorized pursuant to this chapter to enforce the
- 3 aeronautics laws, or any official, manager, or person in charge of any
- 4 airport, or upon the reasonable request of any person.
- 5 **Sec. 909.** RCW 82.48.090 and 1992 c 154 s 2 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- In case a claim is made by any person that the person has paid an 7 erroneously excessive amount of excise tax under this chapter, the 8 person may apply to the department of ((transportation)) licensing for 9 a refund of the claimed excessive amount together with interest at the 10 rate specified in RCW 82.32.060. The department of ((transportation 11 shall)) licensing must review such application, and if it determines 12 that an excess amount of tax has actually been paid by the taxpayer, 13 such excess amount and interest at the rate specified in RCW 82.32.060 14 15 ((shall)) <u>must</u> be refunded to the taxpayer by means of a voucher 16 approved by the department of ((transportation)) licensing and by the 17 issuance of a state warrant drawn upon and payable from such funds as the legislature may provide for that purpose. No refund ((shall)) may 18 19 be allowed, however, unless application for the refund is filed with the department of ((transportation)) licensing within ninety days after 20 21 the claimed excessive excise tax was paid and the amount of the 22 overpayment exceeds five dollars.

23 PART X

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### Use Tax on Motor Vehicles and Trailers Used in Interstate Commerce

- 25 **Sec. 1001.** RCW 82.12.0254 and 2009 c 503 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- 27 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of:
- 29 (a) Any airplane used primarily in (i) conducting interstate or 30 foreign commerce or (ii) providing intrastate air transportation by a 31 commuter air carrier as defined in RCW 82.08.0262;
- 32 (b) Any locomotive, railroad car, or watercraft used primarily in 33 conducting interstate or foreign commerce by transporting therein or 34 therewith property and persons for hire or used primarily in commercial

1 deep sea fishing operations outside the territorial waters of the 2 state;

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- (c) Tangible personal property that becomes a component part of any such airplane, locomotive, railroad car, or watercraft in the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving the same; and
- (d) Labor and services rendered in respect to such repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving.
- (2) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use by a nonresident of this state of any motor vehicle or trailer used exclusively in transporting persons or property across the boundaries of this state and in intrastate operations incidental thereto when such motor vehicle or trailer is registered and licensed in a foreign state and in respect to the use by a nonresident of this state of any motor vehicle or trailer so registered and licensed and used within this state for a period not exceeding fifteen consecutive days under such rules as the department must adopt. However, under circumstances determined to be justifiable by the department a second fifteen day period may be authorized consecutive with the first fifteen day period; and for the purposes of this exemption the term "nonresident" as used herein includes a user who has one or more places of business in this state as well as in one or more other states, but the exemption for nonresidents applies only to those vehicles which are most frequently dispatched, garaged, serviced, maintained, and operated from the user's place of business in another state.
- (3) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of:
- (a) Any motor vehicle or trailer, owned by the holder of a carrier permit issued by the interstate commerce commission or its successor agency ((of any motor vehicle or trailer whether owned by)) or leased with or without driver to the permit holder and used ((in substantial part)) in the normal and ordinary course of the user's business primarily for transporting therein persons or property for hire across the boundaries of this state; ((and in respect to the use of))
- (b) Any motor vehicle or trailer while being operated under the authority of a one-transit permit issued by the director of licensing pursuant to RCW 46.16.160 and moving upon the highways from the point of delivery in this state to a point outside this state; (( $\frac{\text{and}}{\text{in}}$ )

- (c) Tangible personal property ((which)) that becomes a component part of any motor vehicle or trailer ((used by the holder of a carrier permit issued by the interstate commerce commission or its successor agency—authorizing—transportation—by—motor—vehicle—across—the boundaries of this state whether such motor vehicle or trailer is owned by—or—leased—with—or—without—driver—to—the—permit—holder)) that is exempt under (a) of this subsection, in the course of repairing, cleaning, altering, or improving the same; ((also the use of)) and
- 9 <u>(d)</u> <u>Labor</u> and services rendered in respect to such repairing, 10 cleaning, altering, or improving <u>any motor vehicle or trailer that is</u> 11 exempt under (a) of this subsection.

12 PART XI

## Foreclosure Exemption

- **Sec. 1101.** RCW 82.45.010 and 2010 c ... s 206 (section 206 of this 15 act) are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) As used in this chapter, the term "sale" has its ordinary meaning and includes any conveyance, grant, assignment, quitclaim, or transfer of the ownership of or title to real property, including standing timber, or any estate or interest therein for a valuable consideration, and any contract for such conveyance, grant, assignment, quitclaim, or transfer, and any lease with an option to purchase real property, including standing timber, or any estate or interest therein or other contract under which possession of the property is given to the purchaser, or any other person at the purchaser's direction, and title to the property is retained by the vendor as security for the payment of the purchase price. The term also includes the grant, assignment, quitclaim, sale, or transfer of improvements constructed upon leased land.
  - (2)(a) The term "sale" also includes the transfer or acquisition within any twelve-month period of a controlling interest in any entity with an interest in real property located in this state for a valuable consideration.
  - (b) For the sole purpose of determining whether, pursuant to the exercise of an option, a controlling interest was transferred or acquired within a twelve-month period, the date that the option agreement was executed is the date on which the transfer or acquisition

- of the controlling interest is deemed to occur. For all other purposes under this chapter, the date upon which the option is exercised is the date of the transfer or acquisition of the controlling interest.
  - (c) For purposes of this subsection, all acquisitions of persons acting in concert must be aggregated for purposes of determining whether a transfer or acquisition of a controlling interest has taken place. The department must adopt standards by rule to determine when persons are acting in concert. In adopting a rule for this purpose, the department must consider the following:
  - (i) Persons must be treated as acting in concert when they have a relationship with each other such that one person influences or controls the actions of another through common ownership; and
  - (ii) When persons are not commonly owned or controlled, they must be treated as acting in concert only when the unity with which the purchasers have negotiated and will consummate the transfer of ownership interests supports a finding that they are acting as a single entity. If the acquisitions are completely independent, with each purchaser buying without regard to the identity of the other purchasers, then the acquisitions are considered separate acquisitions.
    - (3) The term "sale" does not include:

- (a) A transfer by gift, devise, or inheritance.
- 22 (b) A transfer of any leasehold interest other than of the type 23 mentioned above.
  - (c) A cancellation or forfeiture of a vendee's interest in a contract for the sale of real property, whether or not such contract contains a forfeiture clause, or deed in lieu of foreclosure of a mortgage.
  - (d) The partition of property by tenants in common by agreement or as the result of a court decree.
  - (e) The assignment of property or interest in property from one spouse or one domestic partner to the other spouse or other domestic partner in accordance with the terms of a decree of dissolution of marriage or state registered domestic partnership or in fulfillment of a property settlement agreement.
  - (f) The assignment or other transfer of a vendor's interest in a contract for the sale of real property, even though accompanied by a conveyance of the vendor's interest in the real property involved.

Transfers by appropriation or decree in condemnation proceedings brought by the United States, the state or any political subdivision thereof, or a municipal corporation.

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- (h) A mortgage or other transfer of an interest in real property merely to secure a debt, or the assignment thereof.
- (i) ((Any)) A transfer or conveyance made (i) to the beneficiary of 6 7 <u>a deed of trust</u> pursuant to a <u>trustee's sale in the nonjudicial</u> foreclosure of a deed of trust ((or)); (ii) to the mortgagee, 8 beneficiary of the deed of trust, or lienholder pursuant to an order of 9 10 sale by the court in the judicial foreclosure of any mortgage, deed of trust, or lien ((<del>foreclosure-proceeding-or-upon-execution-of-a</del> 11 judgment, -or)); (iii) to the mortgagee by the mortgagor or to the 12 13 beneficiary of a deed of trust by the grantor pursuant to deed in lieu of foreclosure to satisfy a mortgage or deed of trust; or (iv) to the 14 judgment creditor pursuant to a writ of execution to enforce a 15 16 judgment.
  - (j) A conveyance to the federal housing administration or veterans administration by an authorized mortgagee made pursuant to a contract of insurance or guaranty with the federal housing administration or veterans administration.
  - (k) A transfer in compliance with the terms of any lease or contract upon which the tax as imposed by this chapter has been paid or where the lease or contract was entered into prior to the date this tax was first imposed.
    - (1) The sale of any grave or lot in an established cemetery.
  - (m) A sale by the United States, this state or any political subdivision thereof, or a municipal corporation of this state.
- (n) A sale to a regional transit authority or public corporation 28 under RCW 81.112.320 under a sale/leaseback agreement under RCW 29 81.112.300. 30
  - (o) A transfer of real property, however effected, if it consists of a mere change in identity or form of ownership of an entity where there is no change in the beneficial ownership. These include transfers to a corporation or partnership which is wholly owned by the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner. However, if thereafter such transferee corporation or partnership voluntarily transfers such real property, or such

transferor, spouse or domestic partner, or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner voluntarily transfer stock in the transferee corporation or interest in the transferee partnership capital, as the case may be, to other than (i) the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner, (ii) a trust having the transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner as the only beneficiaries at the time of the transfer to the trust, or (iii) a corporation or partnership wholly owned by the original transferor and/or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner or children of the transferor or the transferor's spouse or domestic partner, within three years of the original transfer to which this exemption applies, and the tax on the subsequent transfer has not been paid within sixty days of becoming due, excise taxes become due and payable on the original transfer as otherwise provided by law.

(p)(i) A transfer that for federal income tax purposes does not involve the recognition of gain or loss for entity formation, liquidation or dissolution, and reorganization, including but not limited to nonrecognition of gain or loss because of application of 26 U.S.C. Sec. 332, 337, 351, 368(a)(1), 721, or 731 of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended.

(ii) However, the transfer described in (p)(i) of this subsection cannot be preceded or followed within a twelve-month period by another transfer or series of transfers, that, when combined with the otherwise exempt transfer or transfers described in (p)(i) of this subsection, results in the transfer of a controlling interest in the entity for valuable consideration, and in which one or more persons previously holding a controlling interest in the entity receive cash or property in exchange for any interest the person or persons acting in concert hold in the entity. This subsection (3)(p)(ii) does not apply to that part of the transfer involving property received that is the real property interest that the person or persons originally contributed to the entity or when one or more persons who did not contribute real property or belong to the entity at a time when real property was purchased receive cash or personal property in exchange for that person

- or persons' interest in the entity. The real estate excise tax under this subsection (3)(p)(ii) is imposed upon the person or persons who previously held a controlling interest in the entity.
- 4 (q) A qualified sale of a manufactured/mobile home community, as 5 defined in RCW 59.20.030, that takes place on or after June 12, 2008, 6 but before December 31, 2018.
- 7 **Sec. 1102.** RCW 82.45.080 and 1980 c 154 s 3 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
  - (1) The tax levied under this chapter ((shall-be)) is the obligation of the seller and the department ((of revenue)) may, at the department's option, enforce the obligation through an action of debt against the seller or the department may proceed in the manner prescribed for the foreclosure of mortgages ((and-resort-to)). The department's use of one course of enforcement ((shall)) is not ((be)) an election not to pursue the other.
  - (2) For purposes of this section and notwithstanding any other provisions of law, in a sale involving a judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure or enforcement of a judgment, the seller is the:
  - (a) Beneficiary of a deed of trust in any transfer or conveyance to any party other than such beneficiary pursuant to a trustee's sale in the nonjudicial foreclosure of the deed of trust;
- (b) Mortgagee, beneficiary of a deed of trust, or lienholder in any transfer or conveyance to any party other than such mortgagee, beneficiary, or lienholder pursuant to an order of sale by the court in the judicial foreclosure of any mortgage, deed of trust, or lien; and
- (c) Judgment creditor in any transfer or conveyance to any party other than such creditor pursuant to a writ of execution to enforce a judgment.
- 29 PART XII
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- 31 **Sec. 1201.** RCW 82.32.145 and 1995 c 318 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
- 33 (1) ((Upon termination, dissolution, or abandonment of a corporate 34 or limited liability company business, any officer, member, manager, or 35 other person having control or supervision of retail sales tax funds

collected and held in trust under RCW 82.08.050, or who is charged with the responsibility for the filing of returns or the payment of retail sales tax funds collected and held in trust under RCW 82.08.050, shall be personally liable for any unpaid taxes and interest and penalties on those taxes, if such officer or other person wilfully fails to pay or to cause to be paid any taxes due from the corporation pursuant to chapter 82.08 RCW. For the purposes of this section, any retail sales taxes that have been paid but not collected shall be deductible from the retail sales taxes collected but not paid.

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For purposes of this subsection "wilfully fails to pay or to cause to be paid" means that the failure was the result of an intentional, conscious, and voluntary course of action.

- (2) The officer, member or manager, or other person shall be liable only for taxes collected which)) Whenever the department has issued a warrant under RCW 82.32.210 for the collection of unpaid retail sales tax funds collected and held in trust under RCW 82.08.050 from a limited liability business entity and that business entity has been terminated, dissolved, or abandoned, or is insolvent, the department may pursue collection of the entity's unpaid sales taxes, including penalties and interest on those taxes, against any or all of the responsible individuals. For purposes of this subsection, "insolvent" means the condition that results when the sum of the entity's debts exceeds the fair market value of its assets. The department may presume that an entity is insolvent if the entity refuses to disclose to the department the nature of its assets and liabilities.
- (2) Personal liability under this section may be imposed for state and local sales taxes.
- (3)(a) For a responsible individual who is the current or a former chief executive or chief financial officer, liability under this section applies regardless of fault or whether the individual was or should have been aware of the unpaid sales tax liability of the limited liability business entity.
- (b) For any other responsible individual, liability under this section applies only if he or she willfully fails to pay or to cause to be paid to the department the sales taxes due from the limited liability business entity.
- 37 <u>(4)(a) Except as provided in this subsection (4)(a), a responsible</u>
  38 <u>individual who is the current or a former chief executive or chief</u>

- financial officer is liable under this section only for sales tax 1
- 2 liability accrued during the period that he or she was the chief
- executive or chief financial officer. However, if the responsible 3
- individual had the responsibility or duty to remit payment of the 4
- <u>limited liability business entity's sales taxes to the department</u> 5
- during any period of time that the person was not the chief executive 6
- or chief financial officer, that individual is also liable for sales 7
- tax liability that became due during the period that he or she had the 8
- duty to remit payment of the limited liability business entity's taxes 9
- to the department but was not the chief executive or chief financial 10
- officer. 11
- 12 (b) All other responsible individuals are liable under this section
- 13 only for sales tax liability that became due during the period he or
- 14 she had the ((control, supervision,)) responsibility $((\cdot, \cdot))$  or duty to
- ((act for the corporation described in subsection (1) of this section, 15
- 16 plus interest and penalties on those taxes.
- 17 (3))) remit payment of the limited liability business entity's
- taxes to the department. 18
- (5) Persons ( $(\frac{1iable\ under})$ ) described in subsection ( $(\frac{1}{(1)})$ ) (3)(b) 19
- of this section are exempt from liability under this section in 20
- 21 situations where nonpayment of the ((retail sales tax funds held in
- 22 trust)) limited liability business entity's sales taxes is due to
- reasons beyond their control as determined by the department by rule. 23
- 24 (((4))) (6) Any person having been issued a notice of assessment
- 25 under this section is entitled to the appeal procedures under RCW
- 82.32.160, 82.32.170, 82.32.180, 82.32.190, and 82.32.200. 26
- 27 (((5) This section applies only in situations where the department
- 28 has determined that there is no reasonable means of collecting the
- retail sales tax funds held in trust directly from the corporation. 29
- (6))) (7) This section does not relieve the ((corporation or))30
- liability ((company)) business entity of ((other tax 31 limited
- liabilities)) its sales tax liability or otherwise impair other tax 32
- collection remedies afforded by law. 33
- $((\frac{7}{1}))$  (8) Collection authority and procedures prescribed in this 34
- 35 chapter apply to collections under this section.
- 36 (9) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
- 37 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

1 (a) "Chief executive" means: The president of a corporation; or
2 for other entities or organizations other than corporations or if the
3 corporation does not have a president as one of its officers, the
4 highest ranking executive manager or administrator in charge of the
5 management of the company or organization.

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- (b) "Chief financial officer" means: The treasurer of a corporation; or for entities or organizations other than corporations or if a corporation does not have a treasurer as one of its officers, the highest senior manager who is responsible for overseeing the financial activities of the entire company or organization.
- (c) "Limited liability business entity" means a type of business 11 entity that generally shields its owners from personal liability for 12 13 the debts, obligations, and liabilities of the entity, or a business 14 entity that is managed or owned in whole or in part by an entity that generally shields its owners from personal liability for the debts, 15 obligations, and liabilities of the entity. Limited liability business 16 entities include corporations, limited liability companies, limited 17 liability partnerships, trusts, general partnerships and joint ventures 18 in which one or more of the partners or parties are also limited 19 <u>liability business entities</u>, and <u>limited partnerships in which one or</u> 20 21 more of the general partners are also limited liability business 22 entities.
  - (d) "Manager" has the same meaning as in RCW 25.15.005.
- (e) "Member" has the same meaning as in RCW 25.15.005, except that
  the term only includes members of member-managed limited liability
  companies.
- 27 <u>(f) "Officer" means any officer or assistant officer of a</u>
  28 <u>corporation, including the president, vice-president, secretary, and</u>
  29 treasurer.
- 30 (g)(i) "Responsible individual" includes any current or former
  31 officer, manager, member, partner, or trustee of a limited liability
  32 business entity with an unpaid tax warrant issued by the department.
- (ii) "Responsible individual" also includes any current or former

  employee or other individual, but only if the individual had the

  responsibility or duty to remit payment of the limited liability

  business entity's unpaid sales tax liability reflected in a tax warrant

  issued by the department.

- (iii) Whenever any taxpayer has one or more limited liability 1 2 <u>business</u> <u>entities</u> <u>as a member, manager, or partner, "responsible</u> individual" also includes any current and former officers, members, or 3 managers of the limited liability business entity or entities or of any 4 other limited liability business entity involved directly in the 5 management of the taxpayer. For purposes of this subsection 6 7 (9)(q)(iii), "taxpayer" means a limited liability business entity with an unpaid tax warrant issued against it by the department. 8
- (h) "Willfully fails to pay or to cause to be paid" means that the 9 failure was the result of an intentional, conscious, and voluntary 10 course of action. 11

12 PART XIII

#### Repealing the Business and Occupation Tax Credit for New Employment for 13 International Service Activities 14

- 15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1301. RCW 82.04.44525 (Credit--New employment for international service activities in eliqible areas--Designation of 16 17 census tracts for eligibility -- Records -- Tax due upon ineligibility --Interest assessment--Information from employment security department) 18 and 2009 c 535 s 1104, 2008 c 81 s 9, & 1998 c 313 s 2 are each 19 20 repealed.
- 21 PART XIV

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#### 22 Repealing the Sales and Use Tax Exemptions 23 for Candy and Bottled Water

NEW\_SECTION. Sec. 1401. (1) In order to preserve funding to 24 protect Washington state's natural resources, it is the legislature's 25 26 intent to use revenue generated from assessing a sales tax on bottled

water on natural resource and environmental protection activities.

- 28 (2) It is the legislature's intent to use revenue generated from assessing a sales tax on candy and qum to support public health 29 services including children's dental services. 30
- Sec. 1402. RCW 82.08.0293 and 2009 c 483 s 2 are each amended to 31 read as follows: 32
- 33 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 ((shall)) does not apply to

- sales of food and food ingredients. "Food and food ingredients" means substances, whether in liquid, concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or nutritional value. "Food and food ingredients" does not include:
  - (a) "Alcoholic beverages," which means beverages that are suitable for human consumption and contain one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume; and
  - (b) "Tobacco," which means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.
    - (2) The exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided for in subsection (1) of this section ((shall)) does not apply to prepared food, soft drinks, candy, bottled water, or dietary supplements.
      - (a) "Prepared food" means:

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- (i) Food sold in a heated state or heated by the seller;
- (ii) Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller, including plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, or straws. A plate does not include a container or packaging used to transport the food; or
  - (iii) Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the seller for sale as a single item, except:
- 22 (A) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the 23 seller; or
  - (B) Raw eggs, fish, meat, poultry, and foods containing these raw animal foods requiring cooking by the consumer as recommended by the federal food and drug administration in chapter 3, part 401.11 of The Food Code, published by the food and drug administration, as amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2003, so as to prevent foodborne illness.
  - (b) "Prepared food" does not include the following food or food ingredients, if the food or food ingredients are sold without eating utensils provided by the seller:
  - (i) Food sold by a seller whose proper primary North American industry classification system (NAICS) classification is manufacturing in sector 311, except subsector 3118 (bakeries), as provided in the "North American industry classification system--United States, 2002";
- 36 (ii) Food sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a single 37 item; or

- 1 (iii) Bakery items. The term "bakery items" includes bread, rolls, 2 buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, donuts, Danish, cakes, 3 tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, or tortillas.
- 4 (c) "Soft drinks" means nonalcoholic beverages that contain natural 5 or artificial sweeteners. Soft drinks do not include beverages that 6 contain: Milk or milk products; soy, rice, or similar milk 7 substitutes; or greater than fifty percent of vegetable or fruit juice 8 by volume.
- 9 (d) "Dietary supplement" means any product, other than tobacco, intended to supplement the diet that:
  - (i) Contains one or more of the following dietary ingredients:
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- 13 (B) A mineral;
  - (C) An herb or other botanical;
- 15 (D) An amino acid;
- 16 (E) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the diet by 17 increasing the total dietary intake; or
- 18 (F) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or combination 19 of any ingredient described in this subsection;
  - (ii) Is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, gelcap, or liquid form, or if not intended for ingestion in such form, is not represented as conventional food and is not represented for use as a sole item of a meal or of the diet; and
  - (iii) Is required to be labeled as a dietary supplement, identifiable by the "supplement facts" box found on the label as required pursuant to 21 C.F.R. Sec. 101.36, as amended or renumbered as of January 1, 2003.
- (e) "Candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts, or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include any preparation containing flour and does not require refrigeration.
- (f) "Bottled water" means water that is placed in a sealed container or package for human consumption or other consumer uses.

  Bottled water is calorie free and does not contain sweeteners or other additives except that it may contain: (i) Antimicrobial agents; (ii) fluoride; (iii) carbonation; (iv) vitamins, minerals, and electrolytes; (v) oxygen; (vi) preservatives; and (vii) only those flavors, extracts,

or essences derived from a spice or fruit. "Bottled water" includes
water that is delivered to the buyer in a reusable container that is
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- (3) Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, the exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided in this section shall apply to food and food ingredients that are furnished, prepared, or served as meals:
- 8 (a) Under a state administered nutrition program for the aged as provided for in the older Americans act (P.L. 95-478 Title III) and RCW 74.38.040(6);
  - (b) That are provided to senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, or low-income persons by a not-for-profit organization organized under chapter 24.03 or 24.12 RCW; or
    - (c) That are provided to residents, sixty-two years of age or older, of a qualified low-income senior housing facility by the lessor or operator of the facility. The sale of a meal that is billed to both spouses of a marital community or both domestic partners of a domestic partnership meets the age requirement in this subsection (3)(c) if at least one of the spouses or domestic partners is at least sixty-two years of age. For purposes of this subsection, "qualified low-income senior housing facility" means a facility:
- (i) That meets the definition of a qualified low-income housing project under ((Title)) 26 U.S.C. Sec. 42 of the federal internal revenue code, as existing on August 1, 2009;
- 25 (ii) That has been partially funded under ((Title)) 42 U.S.C. Sec. 26 1485 ((of the federal internal revenue code)); and
- (iii) For which the lessor or operator has at any time been entitled to claim a federal income tax credit under ((Title)) 26 U.S.C.

  Sec. 42 of the federal internal revenue code.
  - (4)(a) Subsection (1) of this section notwithstanding, the retail sale of food and food ingredients is subject to sales tax under RCW 82.08.020 if the food and food ingredients are sold through a vending machine, and in this case the selling price for purposes of RCW 82.08.020 is fifty-seven percent of the gross receipts.
- 35 (b) This subsection (4) does not apply to hot prepared food and 36 food ingredients, other than food and food ingredients which are heated 37 after they have been dispensed from the vending machine.

- 1 (c) For tax collected under this subsection (4), the requirements 2 that the tax be collected from the buyer and that the amount of tax be 3 stated as a separate item are waived.
- **Sec. 1403.** RCW 82.12.0293 and 2009 c 483 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The provisions of this chapter ((shall)) do not apply in respect to the use of food and food ingredients for human consumption.

  "Food and food ingredients" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.08.0293.
- (2) The exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided for in subsection (1) of this section ((shall)) does not apply to prepared food, soft drinks, candy, bottled water, or dietary supplements. "Prepared food," "soft drinks," ((and)) "dietary supplements," "candy," and "bottled water" have the same meanings as in RCW 82.08.0293.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, the exemption of "food and food ingredients" provided in this section ((shall)) apply to food and food ingredients which are furnished, prepared, or served as meals:
- (a) Under a state administered nutrition program for the aged as provided for in the older Americans act (P.L. 95-478 Title III) and RCW 74.38.040(6);
- (b) Which are provided to senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, or low-income persons by a not-for-profit organization organized under chapter 24.03 or 24.12 RCW; or
- (c) That are provided to residents, sixty-two years of age or older, of a qualified low-income senior housing facility by the lessor or operator of the facility. The sale of a meal that is billed to both spouses of a marital community or both domestic partners of a domestic partnership meets the age requirement in this subsection (3)(c) if at least one of the spouses or domestic partners is at least sixty-two years of age. For purposes of this subsection, "qualified low-income senior housing facility" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.08.0293.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1404. A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW to read as follows:
- 34 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of 35 bottled water for human use dispensed or to be dispensed to patients,

- pursuant to a prescription for use in the cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease or medical condition.
  - (2) The definitions in this subsection apply to this section.

- 4 (a) "Bottled water" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.08.0293.
- (b) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of this state to prescribe.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1405. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 11 RCW to read as follows:
- The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of bottled water for human use dispensed or to be dispensed to patients, pursuant to a prescription for use in the cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease or medical condition. The definitions in section 1404 of this act apply to this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1406. A new section is added to chapter 82.08
  RCW to read as follows:
- 19 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of 20 bottled water for human use to persons who do not otherwise have a 21 readily available source of potable water and who provide the seller 22 with an exemption certificate in a form and manner prescribed by the 23 department. The seller must retain a copy of the certificate for the 24 seller's files.
- 25 (2) The department may waive the requirement for an exemption 26 certificate in the event of disaster or similar circumstance.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1407. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 RCW to read as follows:
- The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of bottled water for human use by persons who do not otherwise have a readily available source of potable water.
- 32 <u>NEW\_SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1408.** (1) The legislature finds that the definition of candy under the national streamlined sales and use tax

- agreement is ambiguous and also excludes certain items through its 1 2 definition that are unquestionably considered candy, such as Kit Kat, Twix, Reese Sticks, and licorice. 3
  - (2) It is the intent of the legislature that the department of revenue develop an alternative definition of candy for the purpose addressing the issues specified under subsection (1) of this section and petitioning the streamlined sales and use tax agreement governing board for a change in the definition of candy.
  - (3) To achieve the purpose described in subsection (2) of this section, the department of revenue, through the Washington state streamlined sales tax project advisory group, shall modifications to the definition of candy. As part of this process, the department shall take input from stakeholders in the confectionary industry.

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# Imposing Sales and Use Tax on Cosmetic Surgery and Custom Software

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1501. (1) In order to preserve funding for health care services for people with disabilities, it is the legislature's intent to use revenue generated from assessing a sales tax on elective cosmetic surgery to support basic health care programs and assistance for people with disabilities.

- (2) In order to preserve funding for higher education, it is the legislature's intent to use revenue generated from assessing a sales and use tax on custom software to support the state's institutions of higher education and financial aid programs including the state need grant.
- **Sec. 1502.** RCW 82.04.050 and 2009 c 563 s 301 and 2009 c 535 s 301 28 29 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) "Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means every sale of tangible 30 personal property (including articles produced, fabricated, 31 imprinted) to all persons irrespective of the nature of their business 32 and including, among others, without limiting the scope hereof, persons 33 34 who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, construct, or decorate real

or personal property of or for consumers other than a sale to a person who presents a seller's permit or uniform exemption certificate in conformity with RCW 82.04.470 and who:

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- (a) Purchases for the purpose of resale as tangible personal property in the regular course of business without intervening use by such person, but a purchase for the purpose of resale by a regional transit authority under RCW 81.112.300 is not a sale for resale; or
- (b) Installs, repairs, cleans, alters, imprints, improves, constructs, or decorates real or personal property of or for consumers, if such tangible personal property becomes an ingredient or component of such real or personal property without intervening use by such person; or
- (c) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or substance, of which such property becomes an ingredient or component or is a chemical used in processing, when the primary purpose of such chemical is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of a new article being produced for sale; or
- (d) Purchases for the purpose of consuming the property purchased in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in producing magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of ferrosilicon; or
- (e) Purchases for the purpose of providing the property to consumers as part of competitive telephone service, as defined in RCW 82.04.065. The term ((shall)) includes every sale of tangible personal property which is used or consumed or to be used or consumed in the performance of any activity classified as a "sale at retail" or "retail sale" even though such property is resold or utilized as provided in (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this subsection following such use. The term also means every sale of tangible personal property to persons engaged in any business which is taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) and (7), 82.04.290, and 82.04.2908; or
- (f) Purchases for the purpose of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in subsection (7) of this section, if such tangible personal property replaces or becomes an ingredient or component of property covered by the extended warranty without intervening use by such person.

(2) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" includes the sale of or charge made for tangible personal property consumed and/or for labor and services rendered in respect to the following:

- (a) The installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, or improving of tangible personal property of or for consumers, including charges made for the mere use of facilities in respect thereto, but excluding charges made for the use of self-service laundry facilities, and also excluding sales of laundry service to nonprofit health care facilities, and excluding services rendered in respect to live animals, birds and insects;
- (b) The constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for consumers, including the installing or attaching of any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation, and ((shall)) also includes the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth excepting the mere leveling of land used in commercial farming or agriculture;
- (c) The constructing, repairing, or improving of any structure upon, above, or under any real property owned by an owner who conveys the property by title, possession, or any other means to the person performing such construction, repair, or improvement for the purpose of performing such construction, repair, or improvement and the property is then reconveyed by title, possession, or any other means to the original owner;
- (d) The cleaning, fumigating, razing, or moving of existing buildings or structures, but may not include the charge made for janitorial services; and for purposes of this section the term "janitorial services" shall mean those cleaning and caretaking services ordinarily performed by commercial janitor service businesses including, but not limited to, wall and window washing, floor cleaning and waxing, and the cleaning in place of rugs, drapes and upholstery. The term "janitorial services" does not include painting, papering, repairing, furnace or septic tank cleaning, snow removal or sandblasting;
- 36 (e) Automobile towing and similar automotive transportation 37 services, but not in respect to those required to report and pay taxes 38 under chapter 82.16 RCW;

- (f) The furnishing of lodging and all other services by a hotel, rooming house, tourist court, motel, trailer camp, and the granting of any similar license to use real property, as distinguished from the renting or leasing of real property, and it is presumed that the occupancy of real property for a continuous period of one month or more constitutes a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to use or enjoy the same. For the purposes of this subsection, it ((shall-be)) is presumed that the sale of and charge made for the furnishing of lodging for a continuous period of one month or more to a person is a rental or lease of real property and not a mere license to enjoy the same;
- (g) The installing, repairing, altering, or improving of digital goods for consumers;
- (h) Persons taxable under (a)( $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ ,  $(\frac{1}{2})$ ,  $(\frac{1}{2})$ ,  $(\frac{1}{2})$ , and  $(\frac{1}{2})$ )) through  $(\frac{1}{2})$  of this subsection when such sales or charges are for property, labor and services which are used or consumed in whole or in part by such persons in the performance of any activity defined as a "sale at retail" or "retail sale" even though such property, labor and services may be resold after such use or consumption. Nothing contained in this subsection ( $(\frac{1}{2})$ ) may be construed to modify subsection (1) of this section and nothing contained in subsection (1) of this section may be construed to modify this subsection.
- (3) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale" includes the sale of or charge made for personal, business, or professional services including amounts designated as interest, rents, fees, admission, and other service emoluments however designated, received by persons engaging in the following business activities:
- (a) Amusement and recreation services including but not limited to golf, pool, billiards, skating, bowling, ski lifts and tows, day trips for sightseeing purposes, and others, when provided to consumers;
  - (b) Abstract, title insurance, and escrow services;
  - (c) Credit bureau services;

- (d) Automobile parking and storage garage services;
- (e) Landscape maintenance and horticultural services but excluding
  (i) horticultural services provided to farmers and (ii) pruning,
  trimming, repairing, removing, and clearing of trees and brush near
  electric transmission or distribution lines or equipment, if performed
  by or at the direction of an electric utility;

- 1 (f) Service charges associated with tickets to professional 2 sporting events; ((and))
  - (g) The following personal services: Physical fitness services, tanning salon services, tattoo parlor services, steam bath services, turkish bath services, escort services, and dating services;
    - (h) Cosmetic medical services.

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- (4)(a) The term also includes:
- 8 (i) The renting or leasing of tangible personal property to 9 consumers; and
  - (ii) Providing tangible personal property along with an operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time. A consideration of this is that the operator is necessary for the tangible personal property to perform as designed. For the purpose of this subsection (4)(a)(ii), an operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or set up the tangible personal property.
  - (b) The term does not include the renting or leasing of tangible personal property where the lease or rental is for the purpose of sublease or subrent.
  - (5) The term also includes the providing of "competitive telephone service," "telecommunications service," or "ancillary services," as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065, to consumers.
  - (6)(a) The term also includes the sale of prewritten computer software other than a sale to a person who presents a seller's permit or uniform exemption certificate in conformity with RCW 82.04.470, regardless of the method of delivery to the end user. For purposes of this subsection (6)(a), the sale of prewritten computer software includes the sale of or charge made for a key or an enabling or activation code, where the key or code is required to activate prewritten computer software and put the software into use. There is no separate sale of the key or code from the prewritten computer software, regardless of how the sale may be characterized by the vendor or by the purchaser.
- 33 ((The term "retail sale" does not include the sale of or charge 34 made for:
  - (i) Custom software; or
- 36 (ii) The customization of prewritten computer software.))
- 37 (b) The term also includes the charge made to consumers for the 38 right to access and use prewritten computer software, where possession

of the software is maintained by the seller or a third party, 1 2 regardless of whether the charge for the service is on a per use, per user, per license, subscription, or some other basis. 3

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- (7)(a) The term also includes the sale of or charge made for custom software and the customization of prewritten computer software to a consumer, regardless of the method of delivery to the consumer.
- (b) The term also includes the charge made to consumers for the right to access and use custom software and customized prewritten computer software, where possession of the software is maintained by the seller or a third party.
- (8) The term also includes the sale of or charge made for an 11 extended warranty to a consumer. For purposes of this subsection, 12 13 "extended warranty" means an agreement for a specified duration to perform the replacement or repair of tangible personal property at no 14 additional charge or a reduced charge for tangible personal property, 15 labor, or both, or to provide indemnification for the replacement or 16 17 repair of tangible personal property, based on the occurrence of specified events. The term "extended warranty" does not include an 18 agreement, otherwise meeting the definition of extended warranty in 19 this subsection, if no separate charge is made for the agreement and 20 21 the value of the agreement is included in the sales price of the 22 tangible personal property covered by the agreement. For purposes of this subsection, "sales price" has the same meaning as in RCW 23 24 82.08.010.
- (((8))) (9)(a) The term also includes the following sales to 25 consumers of digital goods, digital codes, and digital automated 26 27 services:
- (i) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right 28 29 of permanent use;
- (ii) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of 30 31 use that is less than permanent;
- 32 (iii) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale; and 33
- 34 (iv) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale. 35
- (b) A retail sale of digital goods, digital codes, or digital 36 37 automated services under this subsection  $((\frac{8}{1}))$  includes any

services provided by the seller exclusively in connection with the digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services.

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- (c) For purposes of this subsection, "permanent" means perpetual or for an indefinite or unspecified length of time. A right of permanent use is presumed to have been granted unless the agreement between the seller and the purchaser specifies or the circumstances surrounding the transaction suggest or indicate that the right to use terminates on the occurrence of a condition subsequent.
- ((+9)) (10) The term does not include the sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the building, repairing, or improving of any street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state or by the United States and which is used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind.
- (((10))) The term also does not include sales of chemical sprays or washes to persons for the purpose of postharvest treatment of fruit for the prevention of scald, fungus, mold, or decay, nor does it include sales of feed, seed, seedlings, fertilizer, agents for enhanced pollination including insects such as bees, and spray materials to: (a) Persons who participate in the federal conservation reserve program, the environmental quality incentives program, the wetlands reserve program, and the wildlife habitat incentives program, or their successors administered by the United States department of agriculture; (b) farmers for the purpose of producing for sale any agricultural product; and (c) farmers acting under cooperative habitat development or access contracts with an organization exempt from federal income tax under ((Title)) 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code or the Washington state department of fish and wildlife to produce or improve wildlife habitat on land that the farmer owns or leases.
- $((\frac{11}{11}))$  (12) The term does not include the sale of or charge made for labor and services rendered in respect to the constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving of new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing

authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the 1 2 installing, or attaching of any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a 3 part of the realty by virtue of installation. Nor does the term 4 5 include the sale of services or charges made for the clearing of land and the moving of earth of or for the United 6 7 instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority. Nor does the term include the sale of services or charges made for cleaning 8 up for the United States, or its instrumentalities, radioactive waste 9 10 and other by-products of weapons production and nuclear research and development. 11

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 $((\frac{12}{12}))$  (13) The term does not include the sale of or charge made for labor, services, or tangible personal property pursuant to agreements providing maintenance services for bus, rail, or rail fixed guideway equipment when a regional transit authority is the recipient of the labor, services, or tangible personal property, and a transit agency, as defined in RCW 81.104.015, performs the labor or services.

#### NEW SECTION. Sec. 1503. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 18 19 RCW to read as follows:

(1) "Cosmetic medical service" means any medical procedure performed on an individual by a person licensed or regulated in a health profession as described in RCW 18.120.020, and any services directly related to the performance of the medical procedure, that is directed at improving the individual's appearance and that is not medically necessary to promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat physical illness or disease. "Cosmetic medical service" includes, but is not limited to, cosmetic surgery, hair transplants, cosmetic injections, cosmetic soft tissue fillers, dermabrasion and chemical peel, laser hair removal, laser skin resurfacing, laser treatment of leg veins, sclerotherapy, and cosmetic dentistry. Any medical procedure performed on abnormal structures related to congenital defects, developmental caused by or abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors, or disease, including procedures to improve function or give a more normal appearance, is medically necessary. Services covered by the individual's medical or dental insurance or that are deductible by the individual as medical

expenses for purposes of federal income tax are presumed to be 1 2 medically necessary services.

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- (2) "Cosmetic surgery" means the surgical reshaping of normal structures on the body to improve the body image, self-esteem, or appearance of an individual.
- (3) "Services directly related to the performance of the medical procedure" include occupancy at medical facilities and services provided by an anesthesiologist, surgeon, or other licensed or regulated health professional described in RCW 18.120.020. Services required for or directly related to cosmetic medical services do not include evaluation and referral by a primary care physician or consultation or treatment by a counselor, psychologist, psychiatrist.
- (4) An individual claiming that a medical procedure, otherwise meeting the definition of cosmetic medical service in this section, is not a cosmetic medical service must complete and provide to the seller an affidavit in a form and manner prescribed by the department documenting that the procedure is medically necessary to promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat physical illness or disease. The seller must retain a copy of the affidavit for the seller's files.
- 22 Sec. 1504. RCW 82.12.020 and 2009 c 535 s 305 are each amended to 23 read as follows:
  - (1) There is ((hereby)) levied and ((there-shall-be)) collected from every person in this state a tax or excise for the privilege of using within this state as a consumer any:
  - (a) Article of tangible personal property purchased at retail, or acquired by lease, gift, repossession, or bailment, or extracted or produced or manufactured by the person so using the same, or otherwise furnished to a person engaged in any business taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) or (7), including tangible personal property acquired at a casual or isolated sale, and including by-products used by the manufacturer thereof, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are manufactured or are available for purchase within this state;
    - (b) Prewritten computer software, regardless of the method of

- delivery, but excluding prewritten computer software that is either provided free of charge or is provided for temporary use in viewing information, or both;
  - (c) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a) or (h), or (6)(b), excluding services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) that are provided free of charge;
    - (d) Extended warranty; or

- (e)(i) Digital good, digital code, or digital automated service, including the use of any services provided by a seller exclusively in connection with digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services.
- (ii) With respect to the use of digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies in respect to:
- 15 (A) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right 16 of permanent use;
  - (B) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of use that is less than permanent;
    - (C) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale; and
  - (D) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of the sale.
    - (iii) With respect to digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired other than by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies regardless of whether or not the consumer has a right of permanent use or is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of use.
    - (2) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service taxable under RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a) or (h), or (6)(b), if the sale to, or the use by, the present user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.
- 36 (3)(a) Except as provided in this section, payment of the tax 37 imposed by this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW by one purchaser or user 38 of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital

- code, digital automated service, or other service does not have the effect of exempting any other purchaser or user of the same property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service from the taxes imposed by such chapters.
  - (b) The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply:

- (i) If the sale to, or the use by, the present user or his or her bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by his or her bailor or donor;
- (ii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment and the tax has once been paid based on reasonable rental as determined by RCW 82.12.060 measured by the value of the article at time of first use multiplied by the tax rate imposed by chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter as of the time of first use;
- (iii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment, if the property was acquired by a previous bailee from the same bailor for use in the same general activity and the original bailment was prior to June 9, 1961; or
- (iv) To the use of digital goods or digital automated services, which were obtained through the use of a digital code, if the sale of the digital code to, or the use of the digital code by, the present user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.
- (4)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection (4), the tax is levied and must be collected in an amount equal to the value of the article used, value of the digital good or digital code used, value of the extended warranty used, or value of the service used by the taxpayer, multiplied by the applicable rates in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020.
- 31 (b) In the case of a seller required to collect use tax from the 32 purchaser, the tax must be collected in an amount equal to the purchase 33 price multiplied by the applicable rate in effect for the retail sales 34 tax under RCW 82.08.020.
- **Sec. 1505.** RCW 82.12.010 and 2009 c 535 s 304 are each amended to read as follows:
- For the purposes of this chapter:

1 (1) "Purchase price" means the same as sales price as defined in 2 RCW 82.08.010;

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- (2)(a) "Value of the article used" ((shall-be)) is the purchase price for the article of tangible personal property, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. The term also includes, in addition to the purchase price, the amount of any tariff or duty paid with respect to the importation of the article used. In case the article used is acquired by lease or by gift or is extracted, produced, or manufactured by the person using the same or is sold under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar products of like quality and character under such rules as the department may prescribe.
- (b) In case the articles used are acquired by bailment, the value of the use of the articles so used ((shall)) must be in an amount representing a reasonable rental for the use of the articles so bailed, determined as nearly as possible according to the value of such use at the places of use of similar products of like quality and character under such rules as the department of revenue may prescribe. In case any such articles of tangible personal property are used in respect to the construction, repairing, decorating, or improving of, and which become or are to become an ingredient or component of, new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the installing or attaching of any such articles therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation, then the value of the use of such articles so used ((shall)) <u>must</u> be determined according to the retail selling price of such articles, or in the absence of such a selling price, as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar products of like quality and character or, in the absence of either of these selling price measures, such value may be determined upon a cost basis, in any event under such rules as the department of revenue may prescribe.
- (c) In the case of articles owned by a user engaged in business outside the state which are brought into the state for no more than one

hundred eighty days in any period of three hundred sixty-five consecutive days and which are temporarily used for business purposes by the person in this state, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be an amount representing a reasonable rental for the use of the articles, unless the person has paid tax under this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW upon the full value of the article used, as defined in (a) of this subsection.

- (d) In the case of articles manufactured or produced by the user and used in the manufacture or production of products sold or to be sold to the department of defense of the United States, the value of the articles used ((shall)) must be determined according to the value of the ingredients of such articles.
- (e) In the case of an article manufactured or produced for purposes of serving as a prototype for the development of a new or improved product, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be determined by: (i) The retail selling price of such new or improved product when first offered for sale; or (ii) the value of materials incorporated into the prototype in cases in which the new or improved product is not offered for sale.
- (f) In the case of an article purchased with a direct pay permit under RCW 82.32.087, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be determined by the purchase price of such article if, but for the use of the direct pay permit, the transaction would have been subject to sales tax;
- (3) "Value of the service used" means the purchase price for the digital automated service or other service, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the service is received by gift or under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of the service used ((shall)) must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar services of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;
- (4) "Value of the extended warranty used" means the purchase price for the extended warranty, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the extended warranty is received by gift or under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value of the extended warranty, the value of the extended warranty used

((shall)) <u>must</u> be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar extended warranties of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;

- (5) "Value of the digital good or digital code used" means the purchase price for the digital good or digital code, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the digital good or digital code is acquired other than by purchase, the value of the digital good or digital code must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar digital goods or digital codes of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;
- (6) "Use," "used," "using," or "put to use" have their ordinary meaning, and mean:
- (a) With respect to tangible personal property, the first act within this state by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property (as a consumer), and include installation, storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption within this state;
- (b) With respect to a service defined in RCW 82.04.050(2)(a), the first act within this state after the service has been performed by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property upon which the service was performed (as a consumer), and includes installation, storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption of the article within this state;
- (c) With respect to an extended warranty, the first act within this state after the extended warranty has been acquired by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property to which the extended warranty applies, and includes installation, storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption of the article within this state;
- (d) With respect to a digital good or digital code, the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views, accesses, downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, or otherwise uses or enjoys the digital good or digital code;

1 (e) With respect to a digital automated service, the first act
2 within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, uses, enjoys,
3 or otherwise receives the benefit of the service;

- (f) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b), the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, accesses the prewritten computer software; ((and))
- (g) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2)(g), the first act within this state after the service has been performed by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views, accesses, downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, or otherwise uses or enjoys the digital good upon which the service was performed; and
- (h) With respect to a service described in RCW 82.04.050(3)(h), the first presence within this state by the taxpayer after the service has been performed upon that taxpayer;
  - (7) "Taxpayer" and "purchaser" include all persons included within the meaning of the word "buyer" and the word "consumer" as defined in chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW;
  - (8)(a)(i) Except as provided in (a)(ii) of this subsection (8), "retailer" means every seller as defined in RCW 82.08.010 and every person engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail and every person required to collect from purchasers the tax imposed under this chapter.
  - (ii) "Retailer" does not include a professional employer organization when a covered employee coemployed with the client under the terms of a professional employer agreement engages in activities that constitute a sale of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, or a sale of any digital automated service or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b) that is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter. In such cases, the client, and not the professional employer organization, is deemed to be the retailer and is responsible for collecting and remitting the tax imposed by this chapter.
- 33 (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the terms "client,"
  34 "covered employee," "professional employer agreement," and
  35 "professional employer organization" have the same meanings as in RCW
  36 82.04.540;
- 37 (9) "Extended warranty" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.04.050(7);

(10) The meaning ascribed to words and phrases in chapters 82.04 1 2 and 82.08 RCW, insofar as applicable, ((shall have)) has full force and effect with respect to taxes imposed under the provisions of this 3 chapter. "Consumer," in addition to the meaning ascribed to it in 4 5 chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW insofar as applicable, ((shall)) also means any person who distributes or displays, or causes to be 6 7 distributed or displayed, any article of tangible personal property, except newspapers, the primary purpose of which is to promote the sale 8 9 of products or services. With respect to property distributed to persons within this state by a consumer as defined in this subsection 10 11 (10), the use of the property ((shall-be)) is deemed to be by such 12 consumer.

13 Sec. 1506. RCW 82.12.035 and 2009 c 535 s 1107 are each amended to read as follows: 14

A credit is allowed against the taxes imposed by this chapter upon the use in this state of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a) or (h), or (6)(b), in the amount that the present user thereof or his or her bailor or donor has paid a legally imposed retail sales or use tax with respect to such property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a), or (6)(b) to any other state, possession, territory, or commonwealth of the United States, any political subdivision thereof, the District of Columbia, and any foreign country or political subdivision thereof.

- Sec. 1507. RCW 82.04.060 and 2009 c 535 s 403 are each amended to 27 28 read as follows:
- "Sale at wholesale" or "wholesale sale" means: 29
- 30 (1) Any sale, which is not a sale at retail, of:
- 31 (a) Tangible personal property;

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- (b) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2) (a) or 32 33 (g);
- 34 recreation services as defined in (C) Amusement RCW or 35 82.04.050(3)(a);
- 36 (d) Prewritten computer software;

- 1 (e) Services described in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7);
  - (f) Extended warranties as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7);
- 3 (g) Competitive telephone service, ancillary services, or 4 telecommunications service as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065; 5 or
- 6 (h) Digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services; 7 and
  - (2) Any charge made for labor and services rendered for persons who are not consumers, in respect to real or personal property, if such charge is expressly defined as a retail sale by RCW 82.04.050 when rendered to or for consumers. For the purposes of this subsection (2), "real or personal property" does not include any natural products named in RCW 82.04.100.
- 14 **Sec. 1508.** RCW 82.04.190 and 2009 c 535 s 302 are each amended to read as follows:

"Consumer" means the following:

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(1) Any person who purchases, acquires, owns, holds, or uses any article of tangible personal property irrespective of the nature of the person's business and including, among others, without limiting the scope hereof, persons who install, repair, clean, alter, improve, construct, or decorate real or personal property of or for consumers other than for the purpose (a) of resale as tangible personal property in the regular course of business or (b) of incorporating such property as an ingredient or component of real or personal property when installing, repairing, cleaning, altering, imprinting, improving, constructing, or decorating such real or personal property of or for consumers or (c) of consuming such property in producing for sale a new article of tangible personal property or a new substance, of which such property becomes an ingredient or component or as a chemical used in processing, when the primary purpose of such chemical is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of a new article being produced for sale or (d) of consuming the property purchased in producing ferrosilicon which is subsequently used in producing magnesium for sale, if the primary purpose of such property is to create a chemical reaction directly through contact with an ingredient of ferrosilicon or (e) of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7),

if such tangible personal property replaces or becomes an ingredient or component of property covered by the extended warranty without intervening use by such person;

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- (2)(a) Any person engaged in any business activity taxable under RCW 82.04.290 or 82.04.2908; (b) any person who purchases, acquires, or uses any competitive telephone service, ancillary services, or telecommunications service as those terms are defined in RCW 82.04.065, other than for resale in the regular course of business; (c) any person who purchases, acquires, or uses any service defined in RCW 82.04.050(2) (a) or (q), other than for resale in the regular course of business or for the purpose of satisfying the person's obligations under an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7); (d) any person who purchases, acquires, or uses any amusement and recreation service defined in RCW 82.04.050(3)(a), other than for resale in the regular course of business; (e) any person who purchases or acquires an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7) other than for resale in the regular course of business; and (f) any person who is an end user of software. For purposes of this subsection (2)(f) and RCW 82.04.050(6), a person who purchases or otherwise acquires prewritten provides computer software, who services described in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) and who will charge consumers for the right to access and use the prewritten computer software, is not an end user of the prewritten computer software;
- (3) Any person engaged in the business of contracting for the building, repairing or improving of any street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle which is owned by a municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state of Washington or by the United States and which is used or to be used primarily for foot or vehicular traffic including mass transportation vehicles of any kind as defined in RCW 82.04.280, in respect to tangible personal property when such person incorporates such property as an ingredient or component of such publicly owned street, place, road, highway, easement, right-of-way, mass public transportation terminal or parking facility, bridge, tunnel, or trestle by installing, placing or spreading the property in or upon the right-of-way of such street, place, road, highway, easement, bridge, tunnel, or trestle or in or upon the site of such mass public transportation terminal or parking facility;

(4) Any person who is an owner, lessee or has the right of possession to or an easement in real property which is being constructed, repaired, decorated, improved, or otherwise altered by a person engaged in business, excluding only (a) municipal corporations or political subdivisions of the state in respect to labor and services rendered to their real property which is used or held for public road purposes, and (b) the United States, instrumentalities thereof, and county and city housing authorities created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW in respect to labor and services rendered to their real property. Nothing contained in this or any other subsection of this definition shall be construed to modify any other definition of "consumer";

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- (5) Any person who is an owner, lessee, or has the right of possession to personal property which is being constructed, repaired, improved, cleaned, imprinted, or otherwise altered by a person engaged in business;
- (6) Any person engaged in the business of constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the installing or attaching of any article of tangible personal property therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation; also, any person engaged in the business of clearing land and moving earth of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW. Any such person ((shall be)) is a consumer within the meaning of this subsection in respect to tangible personal property incorporated into, installed in, or attached to such building or other structure by such person, except that consumer does not include any person engaged in the business of constructing, repairing, decorating, or improving new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, or any instrumentality thereof, if the investment project would qualify for sales and use tax deferral under chapter 82.63 RCW if undertaken by a private entity;
- (7) Any person who is a lessor of machinery and equipment, the rental of which is exempt from the tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 under RCW 82.08.02565, with respect to the sale of or charge made for

tangible personal property consumed in respect to repairing the machinery and equipment, if the tangible personal property has a useful life of less than one year. Nothing contained in this or any other subsection of this section ((shall)) may be construed to modify any other definition of "consumer";

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- (8) Any person engaged in the business of cleaning up for the United States, or its instrumentalities, radioactive waste and other by-products of weapons production and nuclear research and development;
- (9) Any person who is an owner, lessee, or has the right of possession of tangible personal property that, under the terms of an extended warranty as defined in RCW 82.04.050(7), has been repaired or is replacement property, but only with respect to the sale of or charge made for the repairing of the tangible personal property or the replacement property;
- (10) Any person who purchases, acquires, or uses services described in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7) other than for resale in the regular course of business; and
  - (11)(a) Any end user of a digital product or digital code.
  - (b)(i) For purposes of this subsection, "end user" means any taxpayer as defined in RCW 82.12.010 other than a taxpayer who receives by contract a digital product for further commercial broadcast, rebroadcast, transmission, retransmission, licensing, relicensing, distribution, redistribution or exhibition of the product, in whole or in part, to others. A person that purchases digital products or digital codes for the purpose of giving away such products or codes will not be considered to have engaged in the distribution or redistribution of such products or codes and will be treated as an end user;
  - (ii) If a purchaser of a digital code does not receive the contractual right to further redistribute, after the digital code is redeemed, the underlying digital product to which the digital code relates, then the purchaser of the digital code is an end user. If the purchaser of the digital code receives the contractual right to further redistribute, after the digital code is redeemed, the underlying digital product to which the digital code relates, then the purchaser of the digital code is not an end user. A purchaser of a digital code who has the contractual right to further redistribute the digital code

- 1 is an end user if that purchaser does not have the right to further
- 2 redistribute, after the digital code is redeemed, the underlying
- 3 digital product to which the digital code relates.

- **Sec. 1509.** RCW 82.04.215 and 2003 c 168 s 601 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts information in digital or similar form and manipulates it for a result based on a sequence of instructions.
  - (2) "Computer software" means a set of coded instructions designed to cause a computer or automatic data processing equipment to perform a task. All software is classified as either prewritten or custom. Consistent with this definition "computer software" includes only those sets of coded instructions intended for use by an end user and specifically excludes retained rights in software and master copies of software.
  - (3) "Custom software" means <u>computer</u> software created for a single person.
  - (4) "Customization of prewritten computer software" means any alteration, modification, or development of applications using or incorporating prewritten computer software for a specific person. "Customization of prewritten computer software" includes individualized configuration of software to work with other software and computer hardware but does not include routine installation. Customization of prewritten computer software does not change the underlying character or taxability of the original prewritten computer software.
  - (5) "Master copies" of software means copies of software from which a software developer, author, inventor, publisher, licensor, sublicensor, or distributor makes copies for sale or license.
  - (6) "Prewritten computer software" means computer software, including prewritten upgrades, that is not designed and developed by the author or other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser. The combining of two or more prewritten computer software programs or prewritten portions thereof does not cause the combination to be other than prewritten computer software. Prewritten computer software includes software designed and developed by the author or other creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser when it is sold to a person other than such purchaser. Where a person modifies or

- enhances computer software of which such persons is not the author or 1 2 creator, the person ((shall be)) is deemed to be the author or creator only of the person's modifications or enhancements. 3 computer software or a prewritten portion thereof that is modified or 4 5 enhanced to any degree, where such modification or enhancement is designed and developed to the specifications of a specific purchaser, 6 7 remains prewritten computer software; however where there is a reasonable, separately stated charge or an invoice or other statement 8 9 of the price given to the purchaser for the modification or 10 enhancement, the modification or enhancement ((shall)) does not constitute prewritten computer software. 11
- 12 (7) "Retained rights" means any and all rights, including 13 intellectual property rights such as those rights arising from 14 copyrights, patents, and trade secret laws, that are owned or are held 15 under contract or license by a software developer, author, inventor, 16 publisher, licensor, sublicensor, or distributor.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1510. RCW 82.04.29001 (Creation and distribution of custom software--Customization of prewritten computer software--Taxable services) and 2003 c 168 s 602 & 1998 c 332 s 4 are each repealed.
- 21 **Sec. 1511.** RCW 82.08.02088 and 2009 c 535 s 701 are each amended 22 to read as follows:

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- (1) The tax imposed by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to the sale of digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7) to a buyer that provides the seller with an exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use. An exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use must be in a form and contain such information as required by the department.
- (2) A buyer is entitled to use an exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use only if the buyer is a business or other organization and the digital goods or digital automated services purchased, or the digital goods or digital automated services to be obtained by the digital code purchased, or the prewritten computer software or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7) purchased will be concurrently available for use within and

- outside this state. A buyer is not entitled to use an exemption certificate claiming multiple points of use for digital goods, digital codes, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) purchased for personal use.
  - (3) A buyer claiming an exemption under this section must report and pay the tax imposed in RCW 82.12.020 and any local use taxes imposed under the authority of chapter 82.14 RCW and RCW 81.104.170 directly to the department in accordance with RCW 82.12.02088 and 82.14.457.
- (4) For purposes of this section, "concurrently available for use within and outside this state" means that employees or other agents of the buyer may use the digital goods, digital automated services, prewritten computer software, or services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7) simultaneously from one or more locations within this state and one or more locations outside this state. digital code is concurrently available for use within and outside this state if employees or other agents of the buyer may use the digital goods or digital automated services to be obtained by the code simultaneously at one or more locations within this state and one or more locations outside this state.
- **Sec. 1512.** RCW 82.12.010 and 2009 c 535 s 304 are each amended to 23 read as follows:

24 For the purposes of this chapter:

- (1) "Purchase price" means the same as sales price as defined in RCW 82.08.010;
  - (2)(a) "Value of the article used" ((shall—be)) is the purchase price for the article of tangible personal property, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. The term also includes, in addition to the purchase price, the amount of any tariff or duty paid with respect to the importation of the article used. In case the article used is acquired by lease or by gift or is extracted, produced, or manufactured by the person using the same or is sold under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar

products of like quality and character under such rules as the department may prescribe.

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- (b) In case the articles used are acquired by bailment, the value of the use of the articles so used ((shall)) <u>must</u> be in an amount representing a reasonable rental for the use of the articles so bailed, determined as nearly as possible according to the value of such use at the places of use of similar products of like quality and character under such rules as the department of revenue may prescribe. any such articles of tangible personal property are used in respect to the construction, repairing, decorating, or improving of, and which become or are to become an ingredient or component of, new or existing buildings or other structures under, upon, or above real property of or for the United States, any instrumentality thereof, or a county or city housing authority created pursuant to chapter 35.82 RCW, including the installing or attaching of any such articles therein or thereto, whether or not such personal property becomes a part of the realty by virtue of installation, then the value of the use of such articles so used ((shall)) must be determined according to the retail selling price of such articles, or in the absence of such a selling price, as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar products of like quality and character or, in the absence of either of these selling price measures, such value may be determined upon a cost basis, in any event under such rules as the department of revenue may prescribe.
  - (c) In the case of articles owned by a user engaged in business outside the state which are brought into the state for no more than one hundred eighty days in any period of three hundred sixty-five consecutive days and which are temporarily used for business purposes by the person in this state, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be an amount representing a reasonable rental for the use of the articles, unless the person has paid tax under this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW upon the full value of the article used, as defined in (a) of this subsection.
  - (d) In the case of articles manufactured or produced by the user and used in the manufacture or production of products sold or to be sold to the department of defense of the United States, the value of the articles used ((shall)) must be determined according to the value of the ingredients of such articles.

(e) In the case of an article manufactured or produced for purposes of serving as a prototype for the development of a new or improved product, the value of the article used ((shall)) must be determined by:

(i) The retail selling price of such new or improved product when first offered for sale; or (ii) the value of materials incorporated into the prototype in cases in which the new or improved product is not offered for sale.

- (f) In the case of an article purchased with a direct pay permit under RCW 82.32.087, the value of the article used ((shall-be)) is determined by the purchase price of such article if, but for the use of the direct pay permit, the transaction would have been subject to sales tax;
- (3) "Value of the service used" means the purchase price for the digital automated service or other service, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the service is received by gift or under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value thereof, the value of the service used ((shall)) must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar services of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;
- (4) "Value of the extended warranty used" means the purchase price for the extended warranty, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the extended warranty is received by gift or under conditions wherein the purchase price does not represent the true value of the extended warranty, the value of the extended warranty used ((shall)) must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar extended warranties of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;
- (5) "Value of the digital good or digital code used" means the purchase price for the digital good or digital code, the use of which is taxable under this chapter. If the digital good or digital code is acquired other than by purchase, the value of the digital good or digital code must be determined as nearly as possible according to the retail selling price at place of use of similar digital goods or digital codes of like quality and character under rules the department may prescribe;
- 37 (6) "Use," "used," "using," or "put to use" have their ordinary 38 meaning, and mean:

(a) With respect to tangible personal property, the first act within this state by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property (as a consumer), installation, storage, withdrawal from include distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption within this state;

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- (b) With respect to a service defined in RCW 82.04.050(2)(a), the first act within this state after the service has been performed by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property upon which the service was (as a consumer), and includes installation, storage, performed withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption of the article within this state;
- (c) With respect to an extended warranty, the first act within this state after the extended warranty has been acquired by which the taxpayer takes or assumes dominion or control over the article of tangible personal property to which the extended warranty applies, and includes installation, storage, withdrawal from storage, distribution, or any other act preparatory to subsequent actual use or consumption of the article within this state;
- (d) With respect to a digital good or digital code, the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views, accesses, downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, otherwise uses or enjoys the digital good or digital code;
- (e) With respect to a digital automated service, the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, uses, enjoys, or otherwise receives the benefit of the service;
- (f) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (6)(b) or (7), the first act within this state by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, accesses the ((prewritten)) computer software; and
- 32 (q) With respect to a service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(2)(q), the first act within this state after the service has 33 been performed by which the taxpayer, as a consumer, views, accesses, 34 downloads, possesses, stores, opens, manipulates, or otherwise uses or 35 enjoys the digital good upon which the service was performed; 36
- 37 (7) "Taxpayer" and "purchaser" include all persons included within

the meaning of the word "buyer" and the word "consumer" as defined in chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW;

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- (8)(a)(i) Except as provided in (a)(ii) of this subsection (8), "retailer" means every seller as defined in RCW 82.08.010 and every person engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail and every person required to collect from purchasers the tax imposed under this chapter.
- (ii) "Retailer" does include a professional 8 not organization when a covered employee coemployed with the client under 9 the terms of a professional employer agreement engages in activities 10 that constitute a sale of tangible personal property, extended 11 12 warranty, digital good, digital code, or a sale of any digital 13 automated service or service defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 14 (2)(a) or (9), (3)(a), ((9r)) (6)(b), or (7) that is subject to the tax imposed by this chapter. In such cases, the client, and not the 15 professional employer organization, is deemed to be the retailer and is 16 17 responsible for collecting and remitting the tax imposed by this 18 chapter.
- (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the terms "client,"

  "covered employee," "professional employer agreement," and

  "professional employer organization" have the same meanings as in RCW

  82.04.540;
- 23 (9) "Extended warranty" has the same meaning as in RCW 24 82.04.050(7);
  - (10) The meaning ascribed to words and phrases in chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW, insofar as applicable, ((shall have)) has full force and effect with respect to taxes imposed under the provisions of this chapter. "Consumer," in addition to the meaning ascribed to it in chapters 82.04 and 82.08 RCW insofar as applicable, ((shall)) also means any person who distributes or displays, or causes to be distributed or displayed, any article of tangible personal property, except newspapers, the primary purpose of which is to promote the sale of products or services. With respect to property distributed to persons within this state by a consumer as defined in this subsection (10), the use of the property ((shall—be)) is deemed to be by such consumer.

- 1 **Sec. 1513.** RCW 82.12.020 and 2009 c 535 s 305 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
  - (1) There is ((hereby)) levied and ((there-shall-be)) collected from every person in this state a tax or excise for the privilege of using within this state as a consumer any:
  - (a) Article of tangible personal property purchased at retail, or acquired by lease, gift, repossession, or bailment, or extracted or produced or manufactured by the person so using the same, or otherwise furnished to a person engaged in any business taxable under RCW 82.04.280 (2) or (7), including tangible personal property acquired at a casual or isolated sale, and including by-products used by the manufacturer thereof, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are manufactured or are available for purchase within this state;
  - (b) Prewritten computer software, regardless of the method of delivery, but excluding prewritten computer software that is either provided free of charge or is provided for temporary use in viewing information, or both;
  - (c) Services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a), ((or)) (6)(b), or (7), excluding services defined as a retail sale in RCW 82.04.050(6)(b) that are provided free of charge;
    - (d) Extended warranty; or

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- (e)(i) Digital good, digital code, or digital automated service, including the use of any services provided by a seller exclusively in connection with digital goods, digital codes, or digital automated services, whether or not a separate charge is made for such services.
- (ii) With respect to the use of digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies in respect to:
- 30 (A) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser the right 31 of permanent use;
- 32 (B) Sales in which the seller has granted the purchaser a right of 33 use that is less than permanent;
- 34 (C) Sales in which the purchaser is not obligated to make continued 35 payment as a condition of the sale; and
- 36 (D) Sales in which the purchaser is obligated to make continued 37 payment as a condition of the sale.

(iii) With respect to digital goods, digital automated services, and digital codes acquired other than by purchase, the tax imposed in this subsection (1)(e) applies regardless of whether or not the consumer has a right of permanent use or is obligated to make continued payment as a condition of use.

- (2) The provisions of this chapter do not apply in respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or service taxable under RCW 82.04.050 (2)(a) or (g), (3)(a), ((er)) (6)(b), or (7), if the sale to, or the use by, the present user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.
- (3)(a) Except as provided in this section, payment of the tax imposed by this chapter or chapter 82.08 RCW by one purchaser or user of tangible personal property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service does not have the effect of exempting any other purchaser or user of the same property, extended warranty, digital good, digital code, digital automated service, or other service from the taxes imposed by such chapters.
  - (b) The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply:
- (i) If the sale to, or the use by, the present user or his or her bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by his or her bailor or donor;
- (ii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment and the tax has once been paid based on reasonable rental as determined by RCW 82.12.060 measured by the value of the article at time of first use multiplied by the tax rate imposed by chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter as of the time of first use;
- (iii) In respect to the use of any article of tangible personal property acquired by bailment, if the property was acquired by a previous bailee from the same bailor for use in the same general activity and the original bailment was prior to June 9, 1961; or
- (iv) To the use of digital goods or digital automated services, which were obtained through the use of a digital code, if the sale of the digital code to, or the use of the digital code by, the present

user or the present user's bailor or donor has already been subjected to the tax under chapter 82.08 RCW or this chapter and the tax has been paid by the present user or by the present user's bailor or donor.

- (4)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection (4), the tax is levied and must be collected in an amount equal to the value of the article used, value of the digital good or digital code used, value of the extended warranty used, or value of the service used by the taxpayer, multiplied by the applicable rates in effect for the retail sales tax under RCW 82.08.020.
- 10 (b) In the case of a seller required to collect use tax from the 11 purchaser, the tax must be collected in an amount equal to the purchase 12 price multiplied by the applicable rate in effect for the retail sales 13 tax under RCW 82.08.020.

14 PART XVI

## Increasing Tobacco Taxes

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1601. It is the intent of the legislature to use revenue raised from taxes levied on the sales of cigarettes and other tobacco products to fund basic health care services.
- **Sec. 1602.** RCW 82.24.020 and 2009 c 479 s 66 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
  - (1) There is levied and ((there shall be)) collected as provided in this chapter, a tax upon the sale, use, consumption, handling, possession, or distribution of all cigarettes, in an amount equal to ((one and fifteen one hundredths)) 12.125 cents per cigarette.
  - (2) ((An additional tax is imposed upon the sale, use, consumption, handling, possession, or distribution of all cigarettes, in an amount equal—to—five—hundred—twenty—five—one—thousandths—of—a—cent—per cigarette. All—revenues—collected—during—any—month—from—this additional—tax—shall—be—deposited—in—the—state—general—fund—by—the twenty—fifth day of the following month.
  - (3) An additional tax is imposed upon the sale, use, consumption, handling, possession, or distribution of all cigarettes, in an amount equal to two and five one hundredths cents per cigarette. All revenues collected during any month from this additional tax shall be deposited

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month.

(4))) Wholesalers subject to the payment of this tax may, if they wish, absorb five one-hundredths cents per cigarette of the tax and not pass it on to purchasers without being in violation of this section or any other act relating to the sale or taxation of cigarettes.

 $((\frac{5}{)})$  (3) For purposes of this chapter, "possession"  $(\frac{5}{)}$  means both (a) physical possession by the purchaser and, (b) when cigarettes are being transported to or held for the purchaser or his or her designee by a person other than the purchaser, constructive possession by the purchaser or his or her designee, which constructive possession  $(\frac{5}{)}$  is deemed to occur at the location of the cigarettes being so transported or held.

((+6+)) (4) In accordance with federal law and rules prescribed by the department, an enrolled member of a federally recognized Indian tribe may purchase cigarettes from an Indian tribal organization under the jurisdiction of the member's tribe for the member's own use exempt from the applicable taxes imposed by this chapter. Except as provided in subsection ((+7+)) (5) of this section, any person, who purchases cigarettes from an Indian tribal organization and who is not an enrolled member of the federally recognized Indian tribe within whose jurisdiction the sale takes place, is not exempt from the applicable taxes imposed by this chapter.

((+7)) (5) If the state enters into a cigarette tax contract or agreement with a federally recognized Indian tribe under chapter 43.06 RCW, the terms of the contract or agreement (+8) take precedence over any conflicting provisions of this chapter while the contract or agreement is in effect.

- **Sec. 1603.** RCW 82.24.026 and 2009 c 479 s 67 are each amended to 30 read as follows:
- 31 (1) In addition to the tax imposed upon the sale, use, consumption, 32 handling, possession, or distribution of cigarettes set forth in RCW 33 82.24.020, there is imposed a tax in an amount equal to three cents per 34 cigarette.
- 35 (2) The revenue collected under this section ((shall)) must be deposited as follows:

- (a) ((28.5)) <u>14</u> percent ((shall)) <u>must</u> be deposited into the 1 2 general fund.
- (b) The remainder ((shall)) must be deposited into the education 3 4 legacy trust account.
- Sec. 1604. RCW 82.26.010 and 2005 c 180 s 2 are each amended to 5 6 read as follows:

7 The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter 8 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

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- (1) "Tobacco products" means cigars, cheroots, stogies, periques, granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed, and other smoking tobacco, snuff, snuff flour, cavendish, plug and twist tobacco, finecut and other chewing tobaccos, shorts, refuse scraps, clippings, cuttings and sweepings of tobacco, and other kinds and forms of tobacco, prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing or smoking in a pipe or otherwise, or both for chewing and smoking, and any other product, regardless of form, that contains tobacco and is intended for human consumption or placement in the oral or nasal cavity or absorption into the human body by any other means, but ((shall)) does not include cigarettes as defined in RCW 82.24.010.
- 20 (2) "Manufacturer" means a person who manufactures and sells 21 tobacco products.
  - (3) "Distributor" means (a) any person engaged in the business of selling tobacco products in this state who brings, or causes to be brought, into this state from without the state any tobacco products for sale, (b) any person who makes, manufactures, fabricates, or stores tobacco products in this state for sale in this state, (c) any person engaged in the business of selling tobacco products without this state who ships or transports tobacco products to retailers in this state, to be sold by those retailers, (d) any person engaged in the business of selling tobacco products in this state who handles for sale any tobacco products that are within this state but upon which tax has not been imposed.
  - (4) "Retailer" means any person engaged in the business of selling tobacco products to ultimate consumers.
- (5)(a) "Sale" means any transfer, exchange, or barter, in any 35 36 manner or by any means whatsoever, for a consideration, and includes 37 and means all sales made by any person.

- (b) The term "sale" includes a gift by a person engaged in the business of selling tobacco products, for advertising, promoting, or as a means of evading the provisions of this chapter.
  - (6) "Business" means any trade, occupation, activity, or enterprise engaged in for the purpose of selling or distributing tobacco products in this state.
  - (7) "Place of business" means any place where tobacco products are sold or where tobacco products are manufactured, stored, or kept for the purpose of sale, including any vessel, vehicle, airplane, train, or vending machine.
- 11 (8) "Retail outlet" means each place of business from which tobacco 12 products are sold to consumers.
  - (9) "Department" means the department of revenue.

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- (10) "Person" means any individual, receiver, administrator, executor, assignee, trustee in bankruptcy, trust, estate, firm, copartnership, joint venture, club, company, joint stock company, business trust, municipal corporation, the state and its departments and institutions, political subdivision of the state of Washington, corporation, limited liability company, association, society, any group of individuals acting as a unit, whether mutual, cooperative, fraternal, nonprofit, or otherwise. The term excludes any person immune from state taxation, including the United States or its instrumentalities, and federally recognized Indian tribes and enrolled tribal members, conducting business within Indian country.
- (11) "Indian country" means the same as defined in chapter 82.24 RCW.
  - (12) "Actual price" means the total amount of consideration for which tobacco products are sold, valued in money, whether received in money or otherwise, including any charges by the seller necessary to complete the sale such as charges for delivery, freight, transportation, or handling.
- 32 (13) "Affiliated" means related in any way by virtue of any form or 33 amount of common ownership, control, operation, or management.
  - (14) "Board" means the liquor control board.
- 35 (15) "Cigar" means a roll for smoking that is of any size or shape 36 and that is made wholly or in part of tobacco, irrespective of whether 37 the tobacco is pure or flavored, adulterated or mixed with any other

- ingredient, if the roll has a wrapper made wholly or in greater part of 1 2 tobacco. "Cigar" does not include a cigarette.
  - (16) "Cigarette" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.24.010.
  - (17) "Manufacturer's representative" means a person hired by a manufacturer to sell or distribute the manufacturer's tobacco products, and includes employees and independent contractors.
    - (18)(a) "Taxable sales price" means:

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- (i) In the case of a taxpayer that is not affiliated with the manufacturer, distributor, or other person from whom the taxpayer purchased tobacco products, the actual price for which the taxpayer purchased the tobacco products;
- (ii) In the case of a taxpayer that purchases tobacco products from an affiliated manufacturer, affiliated distributor, or other affiliated person, and that sells those tobacco products to unaffiliated distributors, unaffiliated retailers, or ultimate consumers, the actual price for which that taxpayer sells those tobacco products to unaffiliated distributors, unaffiliated retailers, or ultimate consumers;
- (iii) In the case of a taxpayer that sells tobacco products only to affiliated distributors or affiliated retailers, the price, determined as nearly as possible according to the actual price, that other distributors sell similar tobacco products of like quality and character to unaffiliated distributors, unaffiliated retailers, or ultimate consumers;
- (iv) In the case of a taxpayer that is a manufacturer selling tobacco products directly to ultimate consumers, the actual price for which the taxpayer sells those tobacco products to ultimate consumers;
- (v) In the case of a taxpayer that has acquired tobacco products under a sale as defined in subsection (5)(b) of this section, the price, determined as nearly as possible according to the actual price, that the taxpayer or other distributors sell the same tobacco products or similar tobacco products of like quality and character to unaffiliated distributors, unaffiliated retailers, or ultimate consumers; or
- (vi) In any case where (a)(i) through (v) of this subsection do not 35 apply, the price, determined as nearly as possible according to the 36 37 actual price, that the taxpayer or other distributors sell the same

- tobacco products or similar tobacco products of like quality and character to unaffiliated distributors, unaffiliated retailers, or ultimate consumers.
- 4 (b) For purposes of (a)(i) and (ii) of this subsection only,
  5 "person" includes both persons as defined in subsection (10) of this
  6 section and any person immune from state taxation, including the United
  7 States or its instrumentalities, and federally recognized Indian tribes
  8 and enrolled tribal members, conducting business within Indian country.
- 9 (c) The department may adopt rules regarding the determination of taxable sales price under this subsection.
- 11 (19) "Taxpayer" means a person liable for the tax imposed by this 12 chapter.
- 13 (20) "Unaffiliated distributor" means a distributor that is not 14 affiliated with the manufacturer, distributor, or other person from 15 whom the distributor has purchased tobacco products.
- 16 (21) "Unaffiliated retailer" means a retailer that is not 17 affiliated with the manufacturer, distributor, or other person from 18 whom the retailer has purchased tobacco products.
- 19 (22) "Moist snuff" means tobacco that is finely cut, ground, or 20 powdered; is not for smoking; and is intended to be placed in the oral, 21 but not the nasal, cavity.
- 22 <u>(23) "Little cigar" means a cigar that has a cellulose acetate</u> 23 filter.
- 24 **Sec. 1605.** RCW 82.26.020 and 2009 c 479 s 70 are each amended to 25 read as follows:
- (1) There is levied and ((there shall be)) collected a tax upon the sale, handling, or distribution of all tobacco products in this state at the following rate:
- 29 (a) ((Seventy five)) For cigars except little cigars, ninety-five 30 percent of the taxable sales price of cigars, not to exceed ((fifty)) 31 sixty-five cents per cigar; ((or))
- 32 (b) ((Seventy-five)) For all tobacco products except those covered 33 under separate provisions of this subsection, ninety-five percent of 34 the taxable sales price ((of-all-tobacco-products-that-are-not 35 cigars));
- 36 (c) For moist snuff, as established in this subsection (1)(c) and
  37 computed on the net weight listed by the manufacturer:

(i) On each single unit consumer-sized can or package whose net weight is one and two-tenths ounces or less, a rate per single unit that is equal to the greater of 3.025 dollars or the cigarette tax under chapter 82.24 RCW multiplied by twenty; or

- (ii) On each single unit consumer-sized can or package whose net weight is more than one and two-tenths ounces, a proportionate tax at the rate established in (c)(i) of this subsection (1) on each ounce or fractional part of an ounce; and
- 9 (d) For little cigars, an amount per cigar equal to the cigarette
  10 tax under chapter 82.24 RCW.
  - (2) Taxes under this section ((shall)) must be imposed at the time the distributor (a) brings, or causes to be brought, into this state from without the state tobacco products for sale, (b) makes, manufactures, fabricates, or stores tobacco products in this state for sale in this state, (c) ships or transports tobacco products to retailers in this state, to be sold by those retailers, or (d) handles for sale any tobacco products that are within this state but upon which tax has not been imposed.
- 19 (3) The moneys collected under this section ((shall)) <u>must</u> be 20 deposited into the state general fund.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1606. A new section is added to chapter 82.26 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1)(a) Within one year following the date on which the requirement for a tobacco product code is effective, payment of, or exemption from, the tax imposed in RCW 82.26.020 must be verifiable on each single-unit consumer-sized can or package of moist snuff, as provided in (b) of this subsection.
  - (b) Within thirty days following the date on which notice of proposed rule making to require a tobacco product code is published in the federal register, the department must commence to develop a method for using a tobacco product code to verify payment of, or exemption from, the tax imposed in RCW 82.26.020; to develop and implement a pilot project to test the method; and to develop a plan for adoption of rules to implement the method. The department must report to the legislature on its progress annually by December 1st through the year following the year in which the method is implemented.

(2) If notice of proposed rule making to require a tobacco product code is not published in the federal register by July 1, 2011, the department must determine and recommend to the legislature by November 1, 2014, a method to verify payment of, or exemption from, the tax imposed in RCW 82.26.020, by means of stamping, use of manufacturers' digitally readable product identifiers, or any other method, and must complete and present to the legislature a study of compliance with the tax imposed in RCW 82.26.020, the effect of noncompliance on state revenue, and the effect of adopting a method to verify payment of, or exemption from, the tax.

- (3) For purposes of this section, "tobacco product code" means a code that is required on the label of a tobacco product for purposes of tracking or tracing the product through the distribution system under final regulations adopted by the secretary of the United States department of health and human services.
- **Sec. 1607.** RCW 82.26.030 and 2005 c 180 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

It is the intent and purpose of this chapter to levy a tax on all tobacco products sold, used, consumed, handled, or distributed within this state and to collect the tax from the distributor as defined in RCW 82.26.010. It is the further intent and purpose of this chapter to impose the tax once, and only once, on all tobacco products for sale in this state, but nothing in this chapter ((shall)) may be construed to exempt any person taxable under any other law or under any other tax imposed under Title 82 RCW. It is the further intent and purpose of this chapter that the distributor who first possesses the tobacco product in this state ((shall be)) is the distributor liable for the tax and that (1) for moist snuff the tax will be based on the net weight listed by the manufacturer and (2) in most other instances the tax will be based on the actual price that the distributor paid for the tobacco product, unless the distributor is affiliated with the seller.

- 32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1608.** The following acts or parts of acts are 33 each repealed:
- 34 (1) RCW 82.24.027 (Additional tax imposed--Rate--Deposited into the general fund) and 2009 c 479 s 68, 2008 c 86 s 303, 1999 c 309 s 925, 
  & 1986 c 3 s 12; and

(2) RCW 82.24.028 (Additional tax imposed--Rate--Deposited into the 1 2 general fund) and 2009 c 479 s 69, 2008 c 86 s 304, & 2002 c 2 s 3.

3 PART XVII

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## Rural County Tax Incentive Programs

5 **Sec. 1701.** RCW 82.60.010 and 1985 c 232 s 1 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

The legislature finds that there are several areas in the state 7 that are characterized by very high levels of unemployment and poverty. 8 The ((<del>legislative</del>—<del>[legislature]</del>)) <u>legislature</u> further finds that 9 economic stagnation is the primary cause of this high unemployment rate 10 and poverty; that new state policies are necessary in order to promote 11 economic stimulation and new employment opportunities in these 12 distressed areas; and that policies providing incentives for economic 13 14 growth in these distressed areas are essential. For these reasons, the 15 legislature ((hereby)) reestablishes a tax deferral program to be effective solely in distressed ((areas and under circumstances where 16 17 the deferred tax payments are for investments or costs that result in the creation of a specified number of jobs)) counties. The legislature 18 declares that this limited program serves the vital public purpose of 19 20 creating employment opportunities and reducing poverty in the 21 distressed ((areas)) counties of the state.

Sec. 1702. RCW 82.60.020 and 2006 c 142 s 1 are each amended to 22 read as follows: 23

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

- (1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a tax deferral under this chapter.
  - (2) "Department" means the department of revenue.
- 29 (3) "Distressed county" means a county that has an unemployment rate, as determined by the employment security department, which is at 30 <u>least twenty percent above the state average for the three calendar</u> 31 years immediately preceding the year in which the list of distressed 32 counties is established or updated, as the case may be, as provided in 33 section 1703 of this act.
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  - (4) "Eligible area" means:

- 1 <u>(a) Through June 30, 2010,</u> a rural county as defined in RCW 2 82.14.370; and
  - (b) Beginning July 1, 2010, a distressed county.

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- $((\frac{4}{}))$  (5)(a) "Eligible investment project" means an investment project that is located, as of the date the application required by RCW 82.60.030 is received by the department, in an eligible area as defined in subsection  $((\frac{3}{}))$  (4) of this section.
- 8 (b) ((The lessor or owner of a qualified building is not eligible 9 for a deferral unless:
- 10 (i)—The—underlying—ownership—of—the—buildings,—machinery,—and
  11 equipment vests exclusively in the same person; or
- 12 (ii)(A) The lessor by written contract agrees to pass the economic
  13 benefit of the deferral to the lessee;
  - (B) The lessee that receives the economic benefit of the deferral agrees in writing with the department to complete the annual survey required under RCW 82.60.070; and
    - (C) The economic benefit of the deferral passed to the lessee is no less than the amount of tax deferred by the lessor and is evidenced by written—documentation—of—any—type—of—payment,—credit,—or—other financial—arrangement—between—the—lessor—or—owner—of—the—qualified building and the lessee.
    - (c)) "Eligible investment project" does not include any portion of an investment project undertaken by a light and power business as defined in RCW 82.16.010(((5))) (4), other than that portion of a cogeneration project that is used to generate power for consumption within the manufacturing site of which the cogeneration project is an integral part, or investment projects ((which)) that have already received deferrals under this chapter.
- 29  $((\frac{5}{}))$  (6) "Initiation of construction" has the same meaning as in RCW 82.63.010.
- 31 <u>(7)</u> "Investment project" means an investment in qualified buildings 32 or qualified machinery and equipment, including labor and services 33 rendered in the planning, installation, and construction of the 34 project.
- 35  $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$  "Manufacturing" means the same as defined in RCW 82.04.120. "Manufacturing" also includes:
- 37 <u>(a) Before July 1, 2010: (i) Computer programming, the production</u>
  38 of computer software, and other computer-related services, <u>but only</u>

- when the computer programming, production of computer software, or other computer-related services are performed by a manufacturer as defined in RCW 82.04.110 and contribute to the production of a new, different, or useful substance or article of tangible personal property for sale; (ii) the activities performed by research and development
- 6 laboratories and commercial testing laboratories((\(\tau\))\(\frac{i}{2}\) and \(\(\text{(iii)}\) the
  7 conditioning of vegetable seeds; and
  - (b) Beginning July 1, 2010: (i) The activities performed by research and development laboratories and commercial testing laboratories; and (ii) the conditioning of vegetable seeds.
- $((\frac{7}{1}))$  (9) "Person" has the meaning given in RCW 82.04.030.

- ((<del>(8)</del>)) (10) "Qualified buildings" means construction of new structures, and expansion or renovation of existing structures for the purpose of increasing floor space or production capacity used for manufacturing ((and)) or research and development activities, including plant offices and warehouses or other facilities for the storage of raw material or finished goods if such facilities are an essential or an integral part of a factory, mill, plant, or laboratory used for manufacturing or research and development. If a building is used partly for manufacturing or research and development and partly for other purposes, the applicable tax deferral ((shall)) must be determined by apportionment of the costs of construction under rules adopted by the department.
- ((+9)) (11) "Qualified employment position" means a permanent full-time employee employed in the eligible investment project during the entire tax year. The term "entire tax year" means a full-time position that is filled for a period of twelve consecutive months. The term "full-time" means at least thirty-five hours a week, four hundred fifty-five hours a quarter, or one thousand eight hundred twenty hours a year.
- (((10))) (12) "Qualified machinery and equipment" means all new industrial and research fixtures, equipment, and support facilities that are an integral and necessary part of a manufacturing or research and development operation. "Qualified machinery and equipment" includes: Computers; software; data processing equipment; laboratory equipment; manufacturing components such as belts, pulleys, shafts, and moving parts; molds, tools, and dies; operating structures; and all equipment used to control or operate the machinery.

- $((\frac{11}{11}))$  (13) "Recipient" means a person receiving a tax deferral 1 2 under this chapter.
- $((\frac{12}{12}))$  "Research and development" means the development, 3 refinement, testing, marketing, and commercialization of a product, 4 5 service, or process before commercial sales have begun, but only when such activities are intended to ultimately result in the production of 6 7 a new, different, or useful substance or article of tangible personal
- property for sale. As used in this subsection, "commercial sales" 8
- 9 excludes sales of prototypes or sales for market testing if the total
- gross receipts from such sales of the product, service, or process do 10
- not exceed one million dollars. 11
- 12 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1703. A new section is added to chapter 82.60 RCW to read as follows: 13
- The department, with the assistance of the employment security 14
- department, must establish a list of distressed counties effective July 15
- 16 1, 2010. The list of distressed counties is effective for a twenty-
- four month period and must be updated by July 1st of the year that is 17
- two calendar years after the list was established or last updated, as 18
- 19 the case may be.
- 20 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1704. A new section is added to chapter 82.60 21 RCW to read as follows:
- The lessor or owner of a qualified building is not eligible for a 22 deferral unless: 23
- (1) The underlying ownership of the buildings, machinery, and 24 25 equipment vests exclusively in the same person; or
- (2)(a) The lessor by written contract agrees to pass the economic 26 benefit of the deferral to the lessee; 27
- (b) The lessee that receives the economic benefit of the deferral 28 29 agrees in writing with the department to complete the annual survey 30 required under RCW 82.60.070; and
- (c) The economic benefit of the deferral passed to the lessee is no 31 less than the amount of tax deferred by the lessor and is evidenced by 32 written documentation of any type of payment, credit, or other 33 34 financial arrangement between the lessor or owner of the qualified 35 building and the lessee.

- Sec. 1705. RCW 82.60.030 and 1994 sp.s. c 1 s 2 are each amended 1 2 to read as follows:
- (1) Application for deferral of taxes under this chapter must be 3 made before initiation of the construction of the investment project or 4 acquisition of equipment or machinery. The application ((shall)) must 5 be made to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the 6 7 The application ((shall)) must contain information regarding the location of the investment project, the applicant's 8 9 average employment in the state for the prior year, estimated or actual 10 new employment related to the project, <a href="mailto:estimated\_or\_actual\_new">estimated\_or\_actual\_new</a> employment available for the local work force, estimated or actual 11 reductions in local unemployment, estimated or actual wages of 12 13 employees related to the project, estimated or actual costs, time 14 schedules for completion and operation, and other information required by the department. The department ((shall)) must rule on the 15 application within sixty days. 16
- 17 (2) This section expires July 1, 2020.
- Sec. 1706. RCW 82.60.040 and 2004 c 25 s 4 are each amended to 18 read as follows: 19
- 20 (1) The department ((shall)) must issue a sales and use tax 21 deferral certificate for state and local sales and use taxes due under chapters 82.08, 82.12, and 82.14 RCW on each eligible investment 22 23 project ((that-is-located-in-an-eligible-area-as-defined-in-RCW 24 82.60.020)).
- (2) The department ((shall)) must keep a running total of all 25 26 deferrals granted under this chapter during each fiscal biennium.
- 27 (3) This section expires July 1, ((2010)) 2020.
- 28 Sec. 1707. RCW 82.60.049 and 2004 c 25 s 5 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- 30 (1) For the purposes of this section:
- "Eligible area" also means: Through June 30, 2010, a 31 32 designated community empowerment zone approved under RCW 43.31C.020 or a county containing a community empowerment zone; and beginning July 1, 33 34 2010, a designated community empowerment zone approved under RCW
- 35 43.31C.020.

1 (b) "Eligible investment project" also means an investment project 2 in an eligible area as defined in this section.

- (2) In addition to the provisions of RCW 82.60.040, the department ((shall)) must issue a sales and use tax deferral certificate for state and local sales and use taxes due under chapters 82.08, 82.12, and 82.14 RCW, on each eligible investment project that is located in an eligible area, if the applicant establishes that at the time the project is operationally complete:
- 9 (a) The applicant will hire at least one qualified employment 10 position for each seven hundred fifty thousand dollars of investment 11 for which a deferral is requested; and
  - (b) The positions will be filled by persons who at the time of hire are residents of the community empowerment zone. As used in this subsection, "resident" means the person makes his or her home in the community empowerment zone. A mailing address alone is insufficient to establish that a person is a resident for the purposes of this section. The persons must be hired after the date the application is filed with the department.
- 19 (3) All other provisions and eligibility requirements of this 20 chapter apply to applicants eligible under this section.
  - (4) The qualified employment position must be filled by the end of the calendar year following the year in which the project is certified as operationally complete. If a person does not meet the requirements for qualified employment positions by the end of the second calendar year following the year in which the project is certified as operationally complete, all deferred taxes are immediately due.
- **Sec. 1708.** RCW 82.60.060 and 2000 c 106 s 5 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
  - (1) The recipient ((shall)) must begin paying the deferred taxes in the third year after the date certified by the department as the date on which the ((construction)) investment project has been operationally completed. The first payment will be due on December 31st of the third calendar year after such certified date, with subsequent annual payments due on December 31st of the following four years with amounts of payment scheduled as follows:

1	Repayment Year	% of Deferred Tax Repaid
2	1	10%
3	2	15%
4	3	20%
5	4	25%
6	5	30%

- (2) The department may authorize an accelerated repayment schedule upon request of the recipient.
- (3) Interest ((shall)) may not be charged on any taxes deferred under this chapter for the period of deferral, although all other penalties and interest applicable to delinquent excise taxes may be assessed and imposed for delinquent payments under this chapter. The debt for deferred taxes will not be extinguished by insolvency or other failure of the recipient. Transfer of ownership does not terminate the deferral. The deferral is transferred, subject to the successor meeting the eligibility requirements of this chapter, for the remaining periods of the deferral.
- **Sec. 1709.** RCW 82.60.070 and 2004 c 25 s 7 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
  - (1)(a) The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information on how a tax incentive is used.
  - (b) Each recipient of a deferral granted under this chapter after June 30, 1994, ((shall)) must complete an annual survey. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in ((RCW 82.60.020(4))) section 1704 of this act, the lessee ((shall agree to)) must complete the annual survey and the applicant is not required to complete the annual survey. The survey is due by March 31st of the year following the calendar year in which the investment project is certified by the department as having been operationally complete and the seven succeeding calendar years. The survey ((shall)) must include the amount of tax deferred, the number of new products or research projects by general classification, and the number of trademarks,

- patents, and copyrights associated with activities at the investment project. The survey ((shall)) must also include the following information for employment positions in Washington:
  - (i) The number of total employment positions;

- (ii) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a
  percent of total employment;
- (iii) The number of employment positions according to the following wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three individuals may be combined with another wage band; and
- (iv) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.
  - (c) <u>As part of the survey, the department may request additional information necessary to measure the results of, or determine eligibility for,</u> the deferral program, to be submitted at the same time as the survey.
- (d) All information collected under this subsection, except the amount of the tax deferral taken, is deemed taxpayer information under RCW 82.32.330 and is not disclosable. Information on the amount of tax deferral taken is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.
- (e) The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> use the information from this section to prepare summary descriptive statistics by category. No fewer than three taxpayers ((shall)) <u>may</u> be included in any category. The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> report these statistics to the legislature each year by September 1st.
- (f) The department (( $\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}$ ))  $\underline{\text{must}}$  also use the information to study the tax deferral program authorized under this chapter. The department (( $\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}$ ))  $\underline{\text{must}}$  report to the legislature by December 1, (( $\frac{2009}{\text{shall}}$ ))  $\underline{\text{2019}}$ . The report (( $\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}$ ))  $\underline{\text{must}}$  measure the effect of the program on job creation, the number of jobs created for residents of eligible areas, company growth, the introduction of new products, the diversification of the state's economy, growth in research and development investment, the movement of firms or the consolidation of firms' operations into the state, and such other factors as the department selects.
  - (2)(a) If, on the basis of a survey under this section or other

information, the department finds that an investment project is not eligible for tax deferral under this chapter, the amount of deferred taxes outstanding for the project ((shall be immediately due)).

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- (b) If a recipient of the deferral fails to complete the annual survey required under subsection (1) of this section by the date due, twelve and one-half percent of the deferred tax ((shall)) will be immediately due. If the economic benefits of the deferral are passed to a lessee as provided in ((RCW 82.60.020(4))) section 1704 of this <u>act</u>, the lessee ((<del>shall be</del>)) <u>is</u> responsible for payment to the extent the lessee has received the economic benefit.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other subsection of this section, deferred taxes need not be repaid on machinery and equipment for lumber and wood products industries, and sales of or charges made for labor and services, of the type which qualifies for exemption under RCW 82.08.02565 or 82.12.02565 to the extent the taxes have not been repaid before July 1, 1995.
- 17 (4) Notwithstanding any other subsection of this section, deferred taxes on the following need not be repaid: 18
  - (a) Machinery and equipment, and sales of or charges made for labor and services, which at the time of purchase would have qualified for exemption under RCW 82.08.02565; and
- 22 (b) Machinery and equipment which at the time of first use would have qualified for exemption under RCW 82.12.02565. 23
- Sec. 1710. RCW 82.32.600 and 2009 c 461 s 8 are each amended to 24 read as follows: 25
- 26 (1) Persons required to file annual surveys or annual reports under RCW 82.04.4452, 82.32.5351, 82.32.545, 82.32.610, 82.32.630, 82.82.020, 27 82.32.632, 82.60.070, or 82.74.040 must electronically file with the 28 department all surveys, reports, returns, and any other forms or 29 information the department requires in an electronic format as provided 30 31 or approved by the department. As used in this section, "returns" has the same meaning as "return" in RCW 82.32.050. 32
- (2) Any survey, report, return, or any other form or information 33 required to be filed in an electronic format under subsection (1) of 34 this section is not filed until received by the department in an 35 36 electronic format.

- 1 (3) The department may waive the electronic filing requirement in subsection (1) of this section for good cause shown.
- 3 **Sec. 1711.** RCW 82.60.100 and 1987 c 49 s 1 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- Applications, reports, and any other information received by the department under this chapter ((shall)), except applications not approved by the department, are not ((be)) confidential and ((shall))
- 8 be)) are subject to disclosure.

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- 9 **Sec. 1712.** RCW 82.62.010 and 2007 c 485 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- 11 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 12 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 13 (1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a tax credit under this 14 chapter.
  - (2) "Department" means the department of revenue.
- 16 (3) "Eligible area" means ((an area)) a "rural county" as defined 17 in RCW ((82.60.020)) 82.14.370.
  - (4)(a) "Eligible business project" means manufacturing or research and development activities which are conducted by an applicant in an eligible area at a specific facility, provided the applicant's average qualified employment positions at the specific facility will be at least fifteen percent greater in the four consecutive full calendar quarters after the calendar quarter during which the first qualified employment position is filled than the applicant's average qualified employment positions at the same facility in the four consecutive full calendar quarters immediately preceding the calendar quarter during which the first qualified employment position is filled.
  - (b) "Eligible business project" does not include any portion of a business project undertaken by a light and power business as defined in RCW 82.16.010(((5))) (4) or that portion of a business project creating qualified full-time employment positions outside an eligible area.
- 32 (5) "First qualified employment position" means the first qualified 33 employment position filled for which a credit under this chapter is 34 sought.
- 35 (6) "Manufacturing" means the same as defined in RCW 82.04.120. 36 "Manufacturing" also includes:

- (a) Before July 1, 2010: (i) Computer programming, the production 1 of computer software, and other computer-related services, but only 2 when the computer programming, production of computer software, or 3 other computer-related services are performed by a manufacturer as 4 defined in RCW 82.04.110 and contribute to the production of a new, 5 different, or useful substance or article of tangible personal property 6 7 for sale; and (ii) the activities performed by research and development laboratories and commercial testing laboratories; and 8
- 9 (b) Beginning July 1, 2010, the activities performed by research 10 and development laboratories and commercial testing laboratories.
  - (7) "Person" has the meaning given in RCW 82.04.030.

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- (8)(a)(i) "Qualified employment position" means a permanent fulltime employee employed in the eligible business project during four consecutive full calendar quarters.
- (ii) For seasonal employers, "qualified employment position" also includes the equivalent of a full-time employee in work hours for four consecutive full calendar quarters.
- (b) For purposes of this subsection, "full time" means a normal work week of at least thirty-five hours.
- (c) Once a permanent, full-time employee has been employed, a position does not cease to be a qualified employment position solely due to periods in which the position goes vacant, as long as:
- (i) The cumulative period of any vacancies in that position is not more than one hundred twenty days in the four-quarter period; and
- 25 (ii) During a vacancy, the employer is training or actively 26 recruiting a replacement permanent, full-time employee for the 27 position.
- 28 (9) "Recipient" means a person receiving tax credits under this 29 chapter.
- (10) "Research and development" means the development, refinement, 30 31 testing, marketing, and commercialization of a product, service, or 32 process before commercial sales have begun, but only when such activities are intended to ultimately result in the production of a 33 new, different, or useful substance or article of tangible personal 34 property for sale. As used in this subsection, "commercial sales" 35 excludes sales of prototypes or sales for market testing if the total 36 37 gross receipts from such sales of the product, service, or process do 38 not exceed one million dollars.

- 1 (11) "Seasonal employee" means an employee of a seasonal employer 2 who works on a seasonal basis. For the purposes of this subsection and 3 subsection (12) of this section, "seasonal basis" means a continuous 4 employment period of less than twelve consecutive months.
- 5 (12) "Seasonal employer" means a person who regularly hires more 6 than fifty percent of its employees to work on a seasonal basis.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1713.** RCW 82.60.900 and 82.60.901 are each 8 decodified.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1714.** The following acts or parts of acts are 10 each repealed:
- 11 (1) RCW 82.60.050 (Expiration of RCW 82.60.030 and 82.60.040) and
- 12 2004 c 25 s 6, 1994 sp.s. c 1 s 7, 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 404, 1988 c 41 s
- 13 5, & 1985 c 232 s 10; and
- 14 (2) RCW 82.60.110 (Competing projects--Impact study) and 1998 c 245
- 15 s 169 & 1994 sp.s. c 1 s 8.
- 16 <u>NEW\_SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1715.** The amendments to the definitions of
- 17 "manufacturing" and "research and development" in sections 1702 and
- 18 1712 of this act apply retroactively as well as prospectively.
- 19 PART XVIII
- 20 PUD Privilege Tax Clarification
- 21 **Sec. 1801.** RCW 54.28.011 and 1957 c 278 s 12 are each amended to 22 read as follows:
- "Gross revenue" (( $\frac{\text{shall}}{\text{shall}}$ )) means the amount received from the sale
- 24 of electric energy, which also includes any regularly recurring charge
- 25 <u>billed to consumers as a condition of receiving electric energy, and</u>
- 26 excluding any tax levied by a municipal corporation upon the district
- 27 pursuant to RCW 54.28.070.
- 28 PART XIX
- 29 Business and Occupation Surtax on Certain Services
- 30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1901.** In order to preserve education funding,
- 31 it is the legislature's intent to use revenue generated from increasing

- the business and occupation tax on certain business activities to 1
- 2 support basic education including levy equalization and dropout
- prevention programs. 3

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1902. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 4 RCW to read as follows: 5
  - (1) There is levied and collected for the period July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013, from every person for the act or privilege of engaging in any business activity defined as a selected business service, an additional tax equal to the gross income of the business from such activity multiplied by the rate of 0.5 percent.
- (2) For the purpose of this section, "selected business service" 11 12 means:
- (a) Accounting, auditing, tax preparation, bookkeeping, payroll, 13 and other related services. 14
- 15 (b) Agent and management services for artists, athletes, 16 entertainers, and other public figures.
  - Attorney services, paralegal services, arbitration and conciliation services, mediation product services, legal research services, and court reporting services.
    - (d) Business support services including but not limited to: Document preparation services, telephone call telephone answering services, telemarketing services, debt collection services, repossession services, and court reporting and stenotype services.
  - (e) Computer systems design and related services including but not limited to: Computer systems design services, computer facilities management services, other computer facilities management services, and other computer related services (such as computer disaster recovery services and software installation services). Computer systems design and related services does not include custom computer programming services.
- 31 (f) Data processing, hosting, and related services including but not limited to: Application hosting services, application service 32 provider services, automated data processing services, computer input 33 preparation services, computer time rental services, data entry 34 services, media streaming services, optical scanning services, and web 35 36 hosting services.
  - (g) Facilities support services.

- (h) Investment advice services including but not limited to: 1 2 Financial investment advice services, financial planning services, investment advice consulting services, and investment advisory 3 services. 4
- (i) Management, scientific, and technical consulting services 5 including but not limited to: Administrative management and general 6 7 management services (such as business consulting services, medical 8 office management services, site location consulting services, strategic planning consulting services, and financial management 9 10 consulting services), human resources consulting services (such as actuarial consulting services, benefit consulting services, employee 11 12 benefit consulting services, human resource consulting services, labor 13 relations consulting services, and personnel management consulting 14 services), marketing consulting services (such as customer service management consulting services, marketing consulting services, and 15 sales management consulting services), process, physical distribution, 16 17 and logistics consulting services (such as efficiency management consulting services, freight traffic consulting services, inventory 18 planning and control management consulting services, operations 19 research consulting services, and transportation management consulting 20 21 services), environmental consulting services (such as sanitation consulting services and site remediation services), and other 22 scientific and technical consulting services (such as agricultural 23 24 consulting services, chemical consulting services, economic consulting services, energy consulting services, hydrology consulting services, 25 26 livestock breeding consulting services, and security consulting 27 services).
  - (j) Marketing research and public opinion polling services.
  - (k) Office administrative services including but not limited to: Business management services, executive management services, hotel management services, and office management services.
    - (1) Parking lot management services.

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- (m) Promoting services for performing arts, sporting, and similar 33 34 events.
- 35 (n) Public relations services including but not limited to: Lobbying services, political consulting services, and other public 36 37 relations consulting services.

- (o) Scientific research and development services including but not limited to research and development in the physical, engineering, and life sciences (such as agriculture, bacteriological, biotechnology, chemical, life sciences, and physical science research and development laboratories or services) and research and development in the social sciences and humanities (such as archaeological, behavioral, cognitive, economic, language, and learning research or development services).
  - (p) Software publishing support services.
- (q) The following professional, scientific, and technical services not otherwise included within the definition of selected business service: Business brokers except real estate brokers, commodity inspection services, consumer credit counseling services, consumer credit repair services, estate assessment services, handwriting analysis services, handwriting expert services, marine surveyor services, meteorological services, outplacement services, patent broker services, electric transmission or gas line visual inspection services, pipeline inspection services, power line visual inspection services, quantity surveyor services, and weather forecasting services.

19 PART XX

## Solar Energy Tax Incentives

- **Sec. 2001.** RCW 82.04.294 and 2009 c 469 s 501 are each amended to 22 read as follows:
  - (1)(((a)-Beginning-October-1,-2005,-upon-every-person-engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules, or of manufacturing solar grade silicon to be used exclusively in components of such systems; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business shall, in the case of manufacturers, be equal to the value of the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, be equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.
  - (b) Beginning October 1, 2009,)) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules or stirling converters, or of manufacturing solar grade silicon, silicon solar wafers, silicon solar cells, thin film solar devices, or compound semiconductor solar wafers to be used exclusively in components of such systems; as to such persons the

amount of tax with respect to such business is, in the case of manufacturers, equal to the value of the product manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.

- (2)(((a)-Beginning-October-1,-2005,-upon-every-person-engaging within this state in the business of making sales at wholesale of solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules, or of solar grade silicon to be used exclusively in components of such systems, manufactured by that person;-as-to-such-persons-the-amount-of-tax-with-respect-to-such business shall be equal to-the-gross proceeds-of-sales of-the-solar energy-systems-using-photovoltaic-modules,-or-of-the-solar-grade silicon-to-be-used-exclusively-in-components-of-such-systems, multiplied by the rate of 0.2904 percent.
- (b) Beginning October 1, 2009,)) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at wholesale of solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules or stirling converters, or of solar grade silicon, silicon solar wafers, silicon solar cells, thin film solar devices, or compound semiconductor solar wafers to be used exclusively in components of such systems, manufactured by that person; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules or stirling converters, or of the solar grade silicon to be used exclusively in components of such systems, multiplied by the rate of 0.275 percent.
- (3) ((Beginning October 1,  $2009_7$ )) Silicon solar wafers, silicon solar cells, thin film solar devices, or compound semiconductor solar wafers are "semiconductor materials" for the purposes of RCW 82.08.9651 and 82.12.9651.
- 29 (4) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this 30 section.
  - (a) "Compound semiconductor solar wafers" means a semiconductor solar wafer composed of elements from two or more different groups of the periodic table.
  - (b) "Module" means the smallest nondivisible self-contained physical structure housing interconnected photovoltaic cells and providing a single direct current electrical output.
- 37 (c) "Photovoltaic cell" means a device that converts light directly 38 into electricity without moving parts.

- 1 (d) "Silicon solar cells" means a photovoltaic cell manufactured 2 from a silicon solar wafer.
  - (e) "Silicon solar wafers" means a silicon wafer manufactured for solar conversion purposes.
    - (f) "Solar energy system" means any device or combination of devices or elements that rely upon direct sunlight as an energy source for use in the generation of electricity.
    - (g) "Solar grade silicon" means high-purity silicon used exclusively in components of solar energy systems using photovoltaic modules to capture direct sunlight. "Solar grade silicon" does not include silicon used in semiconductors.
- 12 (h) "Stirling converter" means a device that produces electricity
  13 by converting heat from a solar source utilizing a stirling engine.
- 14 <u>(i)</u> "Thin film solar devices" means a nonparticipating substrate on 15 which various semiconducting materials are deposited to produce a 16 photovoltaic cell that is used to generate electricity.
- 17 (5) This section expires June 30, 2014.

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- 18 **Sec. 2002.** RCW 82.16.110 and 2009 c 469 s 504 are each amended to read as follows:
- The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 22 (1)(a) "Community solar project" means:
  - (i) A solar energy system owned by local individuals, households, nonprofit organizations, or nonutility businesses that is placed on the property owned by a cooperating local governmental entity that is not in the light and power business or in the gas distribution business; or
  - (ii) A utility-owned solar energy system that is voluntarily funded by the utility's ratepayers where, in exchange for their financial support, the utility gives contributors a payment or credit on their utility bill for the value of the electricity produced by the project.
  - (b) For the purposes of "community solar project" as defined in (a) of this subsection:
  - (i) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization exempt from taxation under ((Title)) 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, as of January 1, 2009; and
- 36 (ii) "Utility" means a light and power business, an electric cooperative, or a mutual corporation that provides electricity service.

- (2) "Customer-generated electricity" means a community solar 1 2 project or the alternating current electricity that is generated from a renewable energy system located on an individual's, businesses', or 3 local government's real property that is also provided electricity 4 5 generated by a light and power business. Except for community solar projects, a system located on a leasehold interest does not qualify 6 7 under this definition. Except for community solar projects, "customergenerated electricity" does not include electricity generated by a 8 9 light and power business with greater than one thousand megawatt hours of annual sales or a gas distribution business. 10
  - (3) "Economic development kilowatt-hour" means the actual kilowatt-hour measurement of customer-generated electricity multiplied by the appropriate economic development factor.

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- (4) "Local governmental entity" means any unit of local government of this state including, but not limited to, counties, cities, towns, municipal corporations, quasi-municipal corporations, special purpose districts, and school districts.
- (5) "Photovoltaic cell" means a device that converts light directly into electricity without moving parts.
- (6) "Renewable energy system" means a solar energy system, an anaerobic digester as defined in RCW 82.08.900, or a wind generator used for producing electricity.
- (7) "Solar energy system" means any device or combination of devices or elements that rely upon direct sunlight as an energy source for use in the generation of electricity.
- (8) "Solar inverter" means the device used to convert direct current to alternating current in a ((photovoltaic cell)) solar energy system.
- 29 (9) "Solar module" means the smallest nondivisible self-contained 30 physical structure housing interconnected photovoltaic cells and 31 providing a single direct current electrical output.
- 32 (10) "Stirling converter" means a device that produces electricity
  33 by converting heat from a solar source utilizing a stirling engine.
- 34 **Sec. 2003.** RCW 82.16.120 and 2009 c 469 s 505 are each amended to read as follows:
- 36 (1) Any individual, business, local governmental entity, not in the 37 light and power business or in the gas distribution business, or a

- participant in a community solar project may apply to the light and power business serving the situs of the system, each fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2005, for an investment cost recovery incentive for each kilowatt-hour from a customer-generated electricity renewable energy system. No incentive may be paid for kilowatt-hours generated before July 1, 2005, or after June 30, 2020.
  - (2)(a) Before submitting for the first time the application for the incentive allowed under subsection (4) of this section, the applicant must submit to the department of revenue and to the climate and rural energy development center at the Washington State University, established under RCW 28B.30.642, a certification in a form and manner prescribed by the department that includes, but is not limited to, the following information:
- 14 (i) The name and address of the applicant and location of the 15 renewable energy system;
  - (ii) The applicant's tax registration number;

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- (iii) That the electricity produced by the applicant meets the definition of "customer-generated electricity" and that the renewable energy system produces electricity with:
- (A) Any solar inverters and solar modules manufactured in Washington state;
- 22 (B) A wind generator powered by blades manufactured in Washington state;
  - (C) A solar inverter manufactured in Washington state;
  - (D) A solar module manufactured in Washington state; ((or))
  - (E) A stirling converter manufactured in Washington state; or
- 27 <u>(F)</u> Solar or wind equipment manufactured outside of Washington 28 state;
  - (iv) That the electricity can be transformed or transmitted for entry into or operation in parallel with electricity transmission and distribution systems;
  - (v) The date that the renewable energy system received its final electrical permit from the applicable local jurisdiction.
  - (b) Within thirty days of receipt of the certification the department of revenue must notify the applicant by mail, or electronically as provided in RCW 82.32.135, whether the renewable energy system qualifies for an incentive under this section. The department may consult with the climate and rural energy development

- center to determine eligibility for the incentive. System certifications and the information contained therein are subject to disclosure under RCW 82.32.330(3)(m).
  - (3)(a) By August 1st of each year application for the incentive ((shall)) must be made to the light and power business serving the situs of the system by certification in a form and manner prescribed by the department that includes, but is not limited to, the following information:
- 9 (i) The name and address of the applicant and location of the 10 renewable energy system;
  - (ii) The applicant's tax registration number;

- (iii) The date of the notification from the department of revenue stating that the renewable energy system is eligible for the incentives under this section;
- (iv) A statement of the amount of kilowatt-hours generated by the renewable energy system in the prior fiscal year.
- (b) Within sixty days of receipt of the incentive certification the light and power business serving the situs of the system ((shall)) must notify the applicant in writing whether the incentive payment will be authorized or denied. The business may consult with the climate and rural energy development center to determine eligibility for the incentive payment. Incentive certifications and the information contained therein are subject to disclosure under RCW 82.32.330(3)(m).
- (c)(i) Persons receiving incentive payments ((shall)) must keep and preserve, for a period of five years, suitable records as may be necessary to determine the amount of incentive applied for and received. Such records ((shall)) must be open for examination at any time upon notice by the light and power business that made the payment or by the department. If upon examination of any records or from other information obtained by the business or department it appears that an incentive has been paid in an amount that exceeds the correct amount of incentive payable, the business may assess against the person for the amount found to have been paid in excess of the correct amount of incentive payable and ((shall)) must add thereto interest on the amount. Interest ((shall-be)) is assessed in the manner that the department assesses interest upon delinquent tax under RCW 82.32.050.
  - (ii) If it appears that the amount of incentive paid is less than

the correct amount of incentive payable the business may authorize additional payment.

- (4) Except for community solar projects, the investment cost recovery incentive may be paid fifteen cents per economic development kilowatt-hour unless requests exceed the amount authorized for credit to the participating light and power business. For community solar projects, the investment cost recovery incentive may be paid thirty cents per economic development kilowatt-hour unless requests exceed the amount authorized for credit to the participating light and power business. For the purposes of this section, the rate paid for the investment cost recovery incentive may be multiplied by the following factors:
- (a) For customer-generated electricity produced using solar modules manufactured in Washington state <u>or a solar stirling converter manufactured in Washington state</u>, two and four-tenths;
- (b) For customer-generated electricity produced using a solar or a wind generator equipped with an inverter manufactured in Washington state, one and two-tenths;
- (c) For customer-generated electricity produced using an anaerobic digester, or by other solar equipment or using a wind generator equipped with blades manufactured in Washington state, one; and
- (d) For all other customer-generated electricity produced by wind, eight-tenths.
  - (5) No individual, household, business, or local governmental entity is eligible for incentives provided under subsection (4) of this section for more than five thousand dollars per year. Each applicant in a community solar project is eligible for up to five thousand dollars per year.
  - (6) If requests for the investment cost recovery incentive exceed the amount of funds available for credit to the participating light and power business, the incentive payments ((shall)) must be reduced proportionately.
- (7) The climate and rural energy development center at Washington State University energy program may establish guidelines and standards for technologies that are identified as Washington manufactured and therefore most beneficial to the state's environment.
- 37 (8) The environmental attributes of the renewable energy system

- 1 belong to the applicant, and do not transfer to the state or the light
- 2 and power business upon receipt of the investment cost recovery
- 3 incentive.

4 PART XXI

## 5 Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Investment Castings

- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2101.** A new section is added to chapter 82.08 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 (1) The tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of wax 9 and ceramic materials used to create molds consumed during the process of creating ferrous and nonferrous investment castings used in industrial applications. The tax also does not apply to labor or services used to create wax patterns and ceramic shells used as molds and consumed during the process of creating ferrous and nonferrous investment castings used in industrial applications.
- 15 (2) A person claiming the exemption under this section must claim 16 the exemption in a form and manner prescribed by the department.
- 17 (3) This section expires July 1, 2020.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2102. A new section is added to chapter 82.12 RCW to read as follows:
- 20 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with respect to the 21 use of wax and ceramic materials used to create molds consumed during 22 the process of creating ferrous and nonferrous investment castings used 23 in industrial applications.
- 24 (2) This section expires July 1, 2020.

25 PART XXII

#### 26 Tax Relief for Aluminum Smelters

- 27 **Sec. 2201.** RCW 82.04.2909 and 2006 c 182 s 1 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- (1) Upon every person who is an aluminum smelter engaging within this state in the business of manufacturing aluminum; as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall)) is, in the case of manufacturers, ((be)) equal to the value of the product

- manufactured, or in the case of processors for hire, ((be)) equal to the gross income of the business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.
  - (2) Upon every person who is an aluminum smelter engaging within this state in the business of making sales at wholesale of aluminum manufactured by that person, as to such persons the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the aluminum multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.
  - (3) This section expires January 1, ((2012)) 2017.

- **Sec. 2202.** RCW 82.04.4481 and 2006 c 182 s 2 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
  - (1) In computing the tax imposed under this chapter, a credit is allowed for all property taxes paid during the calendar year on property owned by a direct service industrial customer and reasonably necessary for the purposes of an aluminum smelter.
  - (2) A person taking the credit under this section is subject to all the requirements of chapter 82.32 RCW. A credit earned during one calendar year may be carried over to be credited against taxes incurred in the subsequent calendar year, but may not be carried over a second year. Credits carried over must be applied to tax liability before new credits. No refunds may be granted for credits under this section.
- 22 (3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for property 23 taxes levied for collection in ((2012)) 2017 and thereafter.
- 24 Sec. 2203. RCW 82.08.805 and 2009 c 535 s 513 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) A person who has paid tax under RCW 82.08.020 for personal property used at an aluminum smelter, tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of buildings or other structures at an aluminum smelter, or for labor and services rendered with respect to such buildings, structures, or personal property, is eligible for an exemption from the state share of the tax in the form of a credit, as provided in this section. A person claiming an exemption must pay the tax and may then take a credit equal to the state share of retail sales tax paid under RCW 82.08.020. The person ((shall)) must submit information, in a form and manner

prescribed by the department, specifying the amount of qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which the exemption is claimed and the amount of exempted tax.

- (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.
- 6 (3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxable events occurring on or after January 1, ((2012)) 2017.
- 8 **Sec. 2204.** RCW 82.12.805 and 2009 c 535 s 620 are each amended to 9 read as follows:
- (1) A person who is subject to tax under RCW 82.12.020 for personal 10 property used at an aluminum smelter, or for tangible personal property 11 that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component of buildings or 12 other structures at an aluminum smelter, or for labor and services 13 rendered with respect to such buildings, structures, or personal 14 15 property, is eligible for an exemption from the state share of the tax 16 in the form of a credit, as provided in this section. The amount of the credit ((shall be)) is equal to the state share of use tax computed 17 to be due under RCW 82.12.020. The person ((shall)) must submit 18 19 information, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, specifying the amount of qualifying purchases or acquisitions for which 20 21 the exemption is claimed and the amount of exempted tax.
- 22 (2) For the purposes of this section, "aluminum smelter" has the 23 same meaning as provided in RCW 82.04.217.
- 24 (3) Credits may not be claimed under this section for taxable events occurring on or after January 1, ((2012)) 2017.
- 26 **Sec. 2205.** RCW 82.12.022 and 2006 c 182 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) There is ((hereby)) levied and ((there-shall-be)) collected from every person in this state a use tax for the privilege of using natural gas or manufactured gas within this state as a consumer.
- 31 (2) The tax ((shall be)) is levied and collected in an amount equal 32 to the value of the article used by the taxpayer multiplied by the rate 33 in effect for the public utility tax on gas distribution businesses 34 under RCW 82.16.020. The "value of the article used" does not include 35 any amounts that are paid for the hire or use of a gas distribution

business as defined in RCW  $82.16.010((\frac{7}{1}))$  (2) in transporting the gas subject to tax under this subsection if those amounts are subject to tax under that chapter.

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- (3) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) does not apply to the use of natural or manufactured gas delivered to the consumer by other means than through a pipeline.
- (4) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) does not apply to the use of natural or manufactured gas if the person who sold the gas to the consumer has paid a tax under RCW 82.16.020 with respect to the gas for which exemption is sought under this subsection.
- (5) The tax levied in this section ((shall)) does not apply to the use of natural or manufactured gas by an aluminum smelter as that term is defined in RCW 82.04.217 before January 1, ((2012)) 2017.
- (6) There ((shall be)) <u>is</u> a credit against the tax levied under this section in an amount equal to any tax paid by:
- (a) The person who sold the gas to the consumer when that tax is a gross receipts tax similar to that imposed pursuant to RCW 82.16.020 by another state with respect to the gas for which a credit is sought under this subsection; or
- (b) The person consuming the gas upon which a use tax similar to the tax imposed by this section was paid to another state with respect to the gas for which a credit is sought under this subsection.
- 23 (7) The use tax hereby imposed ((shall)) must be paid by the 24 consumer to the department.
  - (8) There is imposed a reporting requirement on the person who delivered the gas to the consumer to make a quarterly report to the department. Such report ((shall)) <u>must</u> contain the volume of gas delivered, name of the consumer to whom delivered, and such other information as the department ((shall)) requires by rule.
- 30 (9) The department may adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW for the 31 administration and enforcement of sections 1 through 6, chapter 384, 32 Laws of 1989.
- 33 **Sec. 2206.** RCW 82.32.570 and 2006 c 182 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) For the purposes of this section, "smelter tax incentive" means the preferential tax rate under RCW 82.04.2909, or an exemption or credit under RCW 82.04.4481, 82.08.805, 82.12.805, or 82.12.022(5).

(2) The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information to evaluate whether the stated goals of legislation were achieved.

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- (3) The goals of the smelter tax incentives are to retain family-wage jobs in rural areas by:
- (a) Enabling the aluminum industry to maintain production of aluminum at a level that will preserve at least 75 percent of the jobs that were on the payroll effective January 1, 2004, as adjusted for employment reductions publicly announced before November 30, 2003; and
- (b) Allowing the aluminum industry to continue producing aluminum in this state through ((2012))  $\underline{2017}$  so that the industry will be positioned to preserve and create new jobs when the anticipated reduction of energy costs occurs.
- (4)(a) An aluminum smelter receiving the benefit of a smelter tax incentive ((shall)) <u>must</u> make an annual report to the department employer-provided health and detailing employment, wages, and retirement benefits per job at the manufacturing site. The report is due by March 31st following any year in which a tax incentive is claimed or used. The report ((shall)) may not include names of The report ((shall)) must detail employment by the total number of full-time, part-time, and temporary positions. The report ((shall)) <u>must</u> indicate the quantity of aluminum smelted at the plant during the time period covered by the report. The first report filed under this subsection ((shall)) must include employment, wage, and benefit information for the twelve-month period immediately before first use of a tax incentive. Employment reports ((shall)) <u>must</u> include data for actual levels of employment and identification of the number of jobs affected by any employment reductions that have been publicly announced at the time of the report. Information in a report under this section is not subject to the confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.
- (b) If a person fails to submit an annual report under (a) of this subsection by the due date of the report, the department ((shall)) must declare the amount of taxes exempted or credited, or reduced in the case of the preferential business and occupation tax rate, for that year to be immediately due and payable. Excise taxes payable under

this subsection are subject to interest but not penalties, as provided under this chapter. This information is not subject to confidentiality provisions of RCW 82.32.330 and may be disclosed to the public upon request.

((<del>5)</del> By December 1, 2007, December 1, 2010, and December 1, 2015, the fiscal committees of the house of representatives and the senate, in consultation with the department, shall report to the legislature on the effectiveness of the smelter tax incentives under RCW 82.04.4482 and 82.16.0498. The reports shall measure the effect of the tax incentives-on-job-retention-for-Washington-residents-and-any-other

factors the committees may select.)) 11

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12 PART XXIII

# Preferential Business and Occupation Tax Rate for Certain Aviation Repair Businesses

15 Sec. 2301. RCW 82.04.250 and 2008 c 81 s 5 are each amended to read as follows: 16

- (1) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail, except persons taxable as retailers under other provisions of this chapter, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.471 percent.
- (2) Upon every person engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, 82.08.0263, except persons taxable under RCW 82.04.260(11) or subsection (3) of this section, as to such persons, the amount of tax with respect to such business ((shall-be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of 0.484 percent.
- (3)(a) Until July 1, 2024, upon every person classified by the federal aviation administration as a federal aviation regulation part 145 certificated repair station and that is engaging within this state in the business of making sales at retail that are exempt from the tax imposed under chapter 82.08 RCW by reason of RCW 82.08.0261, 82.08.0262, or 82.08.0263, as to such persons, the amount of tax with

- respect to such business ((shall be)) is equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the business, multiplied by the rate of .2904 percent.
- 3 (b) A person reporting under the tax rate provided in this 4 subsection (3) must file a complete annual report with the department 5 under RCW 82.32.--- (section 103, chapter -- (SHB 3066), Laws of 2010).

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# Excise Taxation of Publicly Owned Facilities Accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2401. The legislature finds that publicly owned facilities accredited by the association of zoos and aquariums in Washington serve a public purpose by providing educational and recreational opportunities for Washington citizens and spurring economic development in the state. The legislature also finds that organizations operating accredited zoos and aquariums are similar to other artistic or cultural organizations, which currently receive favorable tax treatment. The legislature intends to provide certain excise tax relief to organizations operating accredited zoo and aquarium facilities in order to further their public purpose and stimulate economic development.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2402. A new section is added to chapter 82.04 21 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax by persons subject to payment of the tax on manufacturing under RCW 82.04.240, the value of the products manufactured to the extent the manufacturing activities are: (a) Undertaken by a nonprofit organization or metropolitan park district operating a zoological facility; and (b) solely for the purpose of manufacturing articles for use by the organization or district in displaying or presenting zoological exhibitions, presentations, performances, or education programs at the zoological facility.
- 31 (2) In computing tax there may be deducted from the measure of tax 32 those amounts received:
- 33 (a) By a nonprofit organization or metropolitan park district where 34 the income is derived from business activities conducted by the 35 organization or district with respect to a zoological facility; or

- (b) By a nonprofit organization or metropolitan park district from the United States or any instrumentality thereof or from the state of Washington or any municipal corporation or subdivision thereof as compensation for, or to support, zoological exhibitions, presentations, performances, or education programs at a zoological facility.
  - (3) For the purposes of this section:
- (a) "Metropolitan park district" or "district" means a metropolitan park district created under chapter 35.61 RCW.
- (b) "Nonprofit organization" means a business entity incorporated or authorized to conduct affairs in this state under chapter 24.03 RCW.
- 11 (c) "Zoological facility" means a publicly owned facility
  12 accredited by the association of zoos and aquariums.
- 13 (4) This section expires July 1, 2020.

14 PART XXV

#### Sales and Use Tax Deferral for Performing Arts Centers

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2501. A new section is added to chapter 82.32 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) The governing board of a nonprofit organization, corporation, or association may apply for deferral of taxes on taxable activity related to an eligible facility. Application must be made to the department in a form and manner prescribed by the department. The application must contain information regarding the location of the facility, estimated or actual costs of the facility, time schedules for completion and operation of the facility, and other information required by the department. The department must rule on the application within sixty days. All applications for the tax deferral under this section must be submitted prior to the initiation of construction and no later than December 31, 2012.
- (2) The department must issue a sales and use tax deferral certificate for state and local sales and use taxes due under chapters 82.08, 82.12, and 82.14 RCW for sales or charges made for taxable activity related to an eligible facility.
- (3) The nonprofit organization, corporation, or association must begin paying the deferred taxes in the fifth year after the date in which the eligible facility is issued an occupancy permit by the local permit issuing authority. The first payment is due by December 31st of

the fifth calendar year after such certified date, with subsequent annual payments due by December 31st of the following nine years. Each payment must equal ten percent of the deferred tax.

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- (4) The department may authorize an accelerated repayment schedule upon request of the nonprofit organization, corporation, or association.
- (5) Except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, interest may not be charged on any taxes deferred under this section for the period of deferral. The debt for deferred taxes is not extinguished by insolvency or other failure of the nonprofit organization, corporation, or association.
- (6) If the facility is not operationally complete within five calendar years from issuance of the tax deferral certificate or if at any time the department finds that the facility is not eligible for tax deferral under this section, the amount of deferred taxes outstanding for the facility is immediately due and payable. If deferred taxes must be repaid under this subsection, the department must assess interest, but not penalties, on amounts due under this subsection. Interest is assessed at the rate provided for delinquent taxes under this chapter, retroactively to the date of deferral, and accrues until the deferred taxes due are repaid.
- (7) Applications and any other information received by the department of revenue under this section are not confidential under RCW 82.32.330. This chapter applies to the administration of this section.
- (8) This section applies to taxable activity for an eligible facility that occurs on or after July 1, 2011.
  - (9) The following definitions apply to this section:
- (a) "Eligible facility" means a facility that is: (i) Owned and operated by a nonprofit organization, corporation, or association; (ii) used primarily as a performing arts center; and (iii) located in a city with an estimated population between one hundred fifteen thousand and one hundred fifty thousand at the time construction of the facility is initiated.
- (b) "Facility" means a new structure and fixtures that are permanently affixed to and become a physical part of the structure.
- 36 (c) "Nonprofit organization, corporation, or association" means an 37 organization, corporation, or association exempt from tax under section

- 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended as of the effective date of this section.
- 3 (d) "Performing arts center" means a facility that is used for 4 music, dance, drama, or similar presentations and has a seating 5 capacity of one thousand seven hundred or more.
  - (e) "Site preparation" includes soil testing, site clearing and grading, demolition, or any other related activities that are initiated before construction. Site preparation does not include landscaping services or landscaping materials.
- 10 (f) "Taxable activity" means construction of new structures, the 11 acquisition and installation of fixtures, and site preparation.

#### 12 PART XXVI

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### Miscellaneous Provisions

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2601. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, if any provision of sections 101 through 108 of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of sections 101 through 108 of this act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 20 (2) If a court of competent jurisdiction, in a final judgment not 21 subject to appeal, adjudges any provision of section 104(1)(c) of this 22 act unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, sections 101 through 108 of 23 this act are null and void in their entirety.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2602. Sections 101 through 108 of this act apply with respect to gross income of the business, as defined in RCW 82.04.080, including gross income from royalties as defined in RCW 82.04.2907, generated on and after July 1, 2010. For purposes of calculating the thresholds in section 104(1)(c) of this act for the 2010 tax year, property, payroll, and receipts are based on the entire 2010 tax year.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2603. Sections 201 through 213 of this act must be construed liberally to effectuate the legislature's intent to ensure that all businesses and individuals pay their fair share of taxes.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2604. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, section 201 of this act applies to tax periods
- 3 beginning January 1, 2006.
- 4 (2) Section 201 of this act does not apply to any tax periods
- 5 ending before April 1, 2010, that were included in a completed field
- 6 audit conducted by the department.
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2605. Sections 502, 802, 1701, and 1702 of this
- 8 act apply both retroactively and prospectively.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2606.** In accordance with Article VIII, section
- 10 5 of the state Constitution, sections 802 and 2605 of this act do not
- 11 authorize refunds of business and occupation tax validly collected
- 12 before April 1, 2010, on amounts received by an individual from a
- 13 corporation as compensation for serving as a member of that
- 14 corporation's board of directors.
- 15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2607. Section 502 of this act does not affect
- 16 any final judgments, not subject to appeal, entered by a court of
- 17 competent jurisdiction before the effective date of this section.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2608. Sections 1101 and 1102 of this act apply
- 19 to transfers or conveyances as described in RCW 82.45.010(3)(i)
- 20 occurring on and after April 1, 2010.
- 21 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2609. Section 1602 of this act applies only
- 22 with respect to tax liability incurred under chapter 82.24 RCW on or
- 23 after April 1, 2010, for the sale, use, consumption, handling,
- 24 possession, or distribution of cigarettes.
- 25 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2610.** Section 1605(1) (a), (b), and (d) of this
- 26 act applies only with respect to tax liability incurred under chapter
- 27 82.24 RCW on or after April 1, 2010, for the sale, handling, or
- 28 distribution of cigars, little cigars, and other tobacco products.
- 29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2611.** Section 1605(1)(c), chapter . . ., Laws
- 30 of 2010 (this act) applies only with respect to tax liability incurred

- 1 under chapter 82.24 RCW on or after October 1, 2010, for the sale,
- 2 handling, or distribution of moist snuff.
- 3 <u>NEW\_SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2612.** If any provision of this act or its
- 4 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 5 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 6 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2613.** Except as otherwise provided in this act,
- 8 this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
- 9 peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its
- 10 existing public institutions, and takes effect April 1, 2010.
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2614.** Parts I, II, and III of this act take
- 12 effect July 1, 2010.
- 13 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2615. Section 902 of this act takes effect
- 14 January 1, 2011.
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2616.** Sections 1701, 1702, 1704 through 1708,
- and 1712 through 1715 of this act take effect July 1, 2010.
- 17 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2617. Sections 1709 and 1710 of this act take
- 18 effect July 1, 2010, if the legislature does not enact Substitute House
- 19 Bill No. 1597 by July 1, 2010.
- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2618.** Section 605 of this act expires July 1,
- 21 2011.
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2619.** Section 606 of this act takes effect July
- 23 1, 2011.
- 24 <u>NEW\_SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2620.** Section 1801 of this act applies
- 25 prospectively only."
- 26 Correct the title.

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